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NATIONALISTS TO LAY MINES IN RED PORTS Foreign Ships Warned To Leave Before Tuesday CABINET STATEMENT

Taipei, December 17.
The Chinese Nationalist Cabinet today announced that mines would be laid in ports held by the Chinese Communists. The mine-laying is to begin on Wednesday.

London Power Strike Settled

London, December 17.
All men were back at work in the London area electric power stations today. Thus ended the dispute which began last Monday over "hot and heat" bonus payments. It spread to Barking, Britain's largest power plant, on Tuesday, but when the Barking men went back on Thursday, the other three stations stayed out.

Mexican Plane Crash Kills 17

Vera Cruz, Mexico, December 17.
Seventeen persons were believed dead today in the wreckage of a Mexican airplane which crashed and burned on a steep mountain slope 50 miles North West of this Gulf port.

It said that Red ports would be mined from Ying-kow in North China to Tienpai, off the Kwangtung coast in the South.

The Cabinet ordered that all foreign countries be notified that alien ships must leave Red-occupied ports before December 20.

The Cabinet declared such a step is necessary because foreign ships are still deliberately running the blockade the Nationalists set up in June.

Authoritative sources meanwhile denied foreign Press reports that Nationalist General Pao Chung-hsi had arrived at Hanoi to negotiate with Indo-China.

Broadcast To KMT Troops

Broadcasting from Tall, 175 miles West of Kunming, Nationalist General Ku Chu-tung, Director of the South West Military Area, ordered all troops around Kunming to return to the Nationalist camp, the "Sunday Herald" learned yesterday.

Tramways Workers Present Ultimatum To Management

An ultimatum, with the deadline set for tomorrow, December 19, was handed to the management of the Hong Kong Tramways Limited by their Chinese workers yesterday morning.

Making His Dream Come True



The Calliph of Baghdad sat one day in his beautiful palace, dreaming of a beautiful blonde. He had recently asked his Master, Magician, to conjure up something of the stuff that dreams are made of. The unimaginative Jester had produced a stork. Just as his dream reached its climax, it came true. The Calliph woke up and there, sitting before him, was a blonde. It all happened in the studios of the Burg Film Company in Germany, which is making an animated cartoon, "The Calliph Stork." One of the artists got tired of the stork's stupidity and conjured up the beauty for him. (AP Photo).

Mechanic Sentenced For Sabotage Of CAT Plane

"This is the method of sabotage and this method of sabotage adopted by you cannot be tolerated", remarked Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday when he imposed sentence of two years' hard labour on Tse Kin, mechanic employed by the Jardine Aircraft Maintenance Company, on a charge of malicious damage to a hydraulic brake cable of a Civil Air Transport plane at Kai Tak Airport on Friday.

Captain R. E. Rosselot, Chief Pilot of CAT, giving evidence said that on Friday morning all CAT planes at Kai Tak with one exception, XT810, were sabotaged during the night rendering them unserviceable for flying.

At 8.50 a.m. when General Claire L. Chennault, President of CAT, and his party of airline officials arrived to board the only undamaged plane for Taipei, the plane was surrounded by a large crowd of agitated Chinese employees of the airport.

Witness saw defendant standing in front of the left wheel of the plane looking around him in a suspicious manner. He then saw the hydraulic brake cable of the plane with a pair of pliers making turning and twisting moves.

Witness grabbed hold of defendant's jacket and shook him violently and asked him why he was cutting the cable. Defendant then yelled loudly in Chinese. In response to his yell about 10 Chinese rushed. Captain Rosselot and began hitting him on the chest.

At this point Captain F. L. Smith, Station Manager of CAT's Hong Kong Office, and the police came to Captain Rosselot's assistance and defendant was handed over to the latter.

Captain Rosselot added that had defendant succeeded in cutting the cable and without the knowledge of the pilot it would have been a certainty that the plane would have met with a serious accident on landing due to the loss of the hydraulic fluid.

Riot Feared

Fearing that a riot might break out, the Airline decided that the wisest policy was to take the plane off the field, said Captain Smith in evidence.

Mao's Visit May Result In New Sino-Soviet Alliance

London, December 17.
A new Sino-Soviet alliance was foreshadowed today by the visit of the Chinese Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, to Moscow.

One observer said it was the Chinese Communist intention to industrialise China through a programme based on Soviet experience. He said "All his (Mao's) statements have made it clear he intends looking to Russia for ideological inspiration and economic support."

British diplomats said they left to feel they have been abandoned by the Western world. We must still keep in touch with them by every means at our disposal.

Concessions Noted

On the Soviet side the British diplomats said there was evidence the Politburo were making unusual concessions to China in order to ensure Peking's firm alignment with the Soviet bloc.

The Soviet press had counter-attacked the Peking regime's reference to "Maoism" in Red China on the counterpart of "Stalinism" in the Soviet Union. Equally as significant was the Chinese Communist's liberty in equating Dr. Sun Yat-sen, father of the Chinese revolution, with Lenin who led the Bolshevik revolution in Russia.

British diplomats said "Soviet Russia had condemned such comparisons as heretical but China seems to have special licence."

The Chinese Red radio today, reporting the arrival of Mao Tse-tung at Moscow, said he was greeted at Yaroslavl station by the heads of all Eastern European satellite missions as well as top crust Soviet chiefs.

The broadcast said Mao was accompanied by Professor Chou Po-ta, Deputy Chief of the Chinese Communist Propaganda Bureau Central Committee and one of the leading members of the pro-Russian bloc who will probably act as Mao's translator. Mao was also accompanied by other unidentified Chinese Communist officials.

The presence of Foreign Trade Minister Menshikov among those receiving Mao tended to confirm the belief that the Russians are seeking a pact that will make available China's vast mineral resources.

A delegation from the Mongolian Soviet People's Republic, to the North of China, arrived in Moscow yesterday shortly after Stalin received Mao Tse-tung adds Ruter in a despatch from Moscow.

The two delegations are expected to remain in Moscow for Stalin's 60th birthday celebration on December 21. Mao Tse-tung is the first head of the Chinese State to make an official visit to Moscow and within a few hours he had seen most of Russia's "Big Men" including the Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, the Deputy Premier, M. Molotov and Marshal Bulgarin.—United Press and Ruter.

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Burma Recognises Peking

Rangoon, December 17.
The Burmese government today recognised Communist China.

Burma thus became the first country outside the Soviet bloc to extend recognition to the Communist regime in Peking.

Burma's recognition of the Peking regime was conveyed by telegram to Chou En-lai, Communist China's Prime Minister. The telegram said:

"The government of the Union of Burma acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the proclamation of the People's Republic of China conveyed with Your Excellency's letter of the same date to our Ambassador at Nanking."

"Believing the Central People's Government of China has the support of the people of China and bearing in mind the traditional friendship between the peoples of China and Burma, the Government of the Union of Burma hereby confirms recognition of the People's Republic of China and looks forward to the establishment of diplomatic relations and to exchange of envoys."—United Press.

The plane finally took off for Taipei shortly after 9 a.m. with General Chennault, Dr. T. C. Gentry, Medical Director of the airline, and other officials, on board.

Sub-inspector I. Ross' Jack, Acting Immigration Officer at Kai Tak said that on examination the cable had already been cut one eighth of an inch deep. He placed a police guard around the plane.

Found Guilty

Finding defendant guilty Mr. d'Almada said: "With the evidence I have before me, I am more than satisfied that you did cut the cable."

"This is the method of sabotage and this method of sabotage adopted by you cannot be tolerated. You may have grievances against the company, but that's neither here nor there. Whatever your grievances you could have settled them in some other manner, but your personal act is not only to damage the plane but you have also endangered the passengers. Who the passengers are is immaterial. I sentence you to two years' imprisonment."

Cheung Yiu-ling, Jardine Aircraft Maintenance employee, was fined \$100 on a trespassing charge. He was found inside one of the parked CAT planes. Although he possessed a pass, it did not entitle him to be at the airport when off duty.

Three other men, Cheung Wan, Kam Man and Chan Fei, also on a trespassing charge, were fined \$250 or two months. They were arrested by Mr. E. Varschauer of CAT, who found them near the Administration Building at 9.30 a.m.

Anti-Red Vietnam Troops

Vietnam troops who fought against Ho Chi-minh's Communist forces and retreated into China two years ago have crossed back into Indo-China, according to Vietnam arrivals from Hainan Island yesterday.

A Vietnam source said that the troops belong to the Vietnam National Democratic Party and include a number of battalions under the command of General Wu Hung-khanh.

The arrivals said that the troops have entered Luong Ban and Cao Binh where they are engaged in skirmishes with Ho Chi-minh's guerrillas. The vanguard of these troops was said to have driven 80 miles South of Luong Ban.

Active On Border

The troops have been active along the Kwangsi border for some time.

The arrivals added that the Vietnam National Democratic Party will shortly throw in its lot with ex-Empress Bao Dai's Government to co-operate in the fight against Ho Chi-minh.

General Wu Hung-khanh is the general with whom China's Nationalist General Pao Chung-hsi was previously reported to have arranged to have his troops formed into a Vietnam Volunteer Army to fight on Vietnam soil and prevent the Chinese Communists from joining up with the Vietnam Communists.

Ward's Ship Sails For Japan

Aboard Lakeland Victory, December 17.
The Lakeland Victory steamed from Pusan, Korea, this afternoon with all but one member of Mr. Angus Ward's party.

The ship is due in Yokohama, Japan, on Monday morning.

Mr. Alfred Kristan, German on Mr. Ward's staff in Mukden until the diplomat and his party of 20 were ousted by the Chinese Communists, was transferred to the U.S. Embassy in Seoul, capital of Southern Korea.

Mr. Franco Cicogna and his wife, Italians also were assigned to Seoul—but raised the post. They said that they would continue on the Lakeland Victory to Yokohama and return to Italy rather than go to Seoul.—Associated Press.

ARMY CASUALTIES IN MALAYA

Singapore, December 17.
Army casualty figures today showed that 141 troops were killed and 198 wounded in operations against Communist terrorists since a state of emergency was declared in June last year.

Of the killed, 17 were British officers, five Gurkha officers, 65 British other ranks, 50 Gurkhas and 14 of the Malay Regiment. The wounded including 13 British officers, three Gurkha officers, 78 British other ranks, 78 Gurkhas and 29 Malay Regiment.—Ruter.

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Hospitality

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The Weather

At 6.00 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) there is little change in the moderate anti-cyclone which covers China, Japan and the neighbouring seas.

Today's Forecast—Moderate or fresh E winds. Cloudy with bright intervals in afternoon.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 84.5 deg. F., Minimum 61.1 deg. F., Rainfall: 2.6 hours.

Rainfall: NIL Total since Jan. 1—2995.8 mm.—52.61 ins. as against an average of 3187.7 mm.—125.77 ins.

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Talk On Racial Discrimination At CRA Meeting

The psychological aspect of racial discrimination in China is an intense inferiority complex manifested by the Chinese towards the foreigner which started as a matter of courtesy but later developed into an expectation by right, if not by practice.

This is the opinion of Mr. Ma Man-fai, Secretary of the Hong Kong Chinese Reform Association, who spoke at an informal gathering of various Chinese citizens in the Colony and Canton on the subject of "Racial Discrimination."

Among other things, the speaker talked of the inferiority complex of the Chinese towards the foreigner, and the inferiority complex of the Chinese towards the foreigner, and the inferiority complex of the Chinese towards the foreigner.

The promotion of these non-Chinese boys is correspondingly faster, the speaker continued, and the medium of official language also helps to keep the local boys longer in the lower level of employment. The Hong Kong Government should employ talents, and insist on the best service obtained from them, regardless of racial bias.

The recent question in the House of Commons regarding living quarters for Army husbands with European wives and non-European wives was also referred to by Mr. Ma, who said that not even the speaker in Parliament tried to defend the principle of an Asiatic wife should not enjoy the same allowances of cost of living and housing facilities.

Retirement At 45

Turning back to the question of Government employment, the speaker stated that the scheme of retirement at 45 of non-local residents is no longer tenable because of living conditions and standards of hygiene in Hong Kong are no more the same as those of the last century.

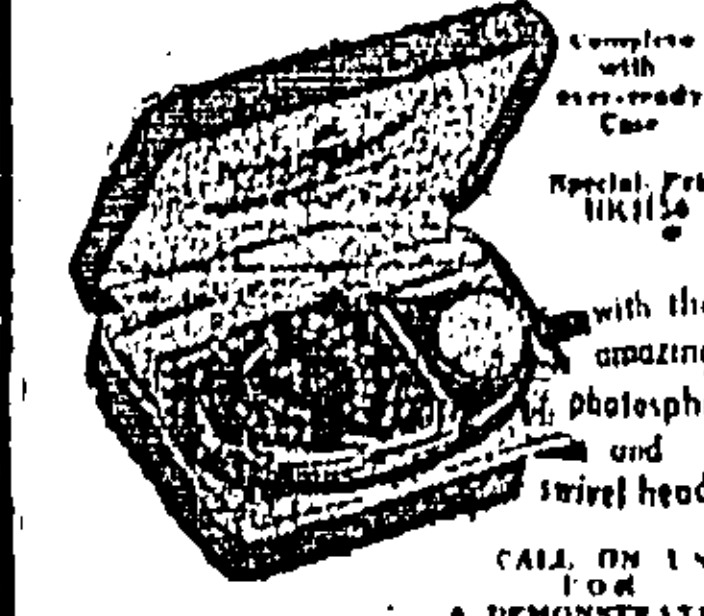
Single System

The Committee appointed by the Government to study Chinese taxes and customs duties, concerning their attention on income tax, has been asked to consider the possibility of a single system of tax for both the British and Chinese.

The system of Government Mr. Ma continued, contains many non-principles of discrimination. The principle of employment, putting local residents in the lowest level both in position and salary, and putting Chinese in a higher plane, is a glaring example of such discrimination.

These non-local boys have to have additional leave after serving three or four years, a short period of service before retirement at the age of 45, more facilities in housing and cost of living, all contributing to the injustice which borders on racial discrimination.

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Unregistered Teachers

The Public Relations Officer yesterday reminded school management that it is an offence to employ unregistered teachers whether paid or voluntary.

In a statement, the PRO added that recently two cases of unlawful schools were the subjects of legal proceedings.

Under the Education Ordinance, section 7, it is an offence for any person to open, start, manage, teach in or maintain a school for which a Certificate of Registration has not been issued by the Director of Education.

It is also an offence, under the same section of the Education Ordinance, for any manager of a school to employ as a teacher (whether employed full-time or part-time, and whether paid or voluntary) any person who is not on the Register of Teachers of the Education Department or who has not received prior permission to teach from the Director of Education.

Junk Master Fined

A Junk master was fined HK\$700 at the Marine Court yesterday for breaking seven Marine regulations.

The master, Tam Yan, aged 34, told the court that he did not frequently trade with Hong Kong, and was not aware that there were so many regulations.

The police prosecutor, Inspector C. Pile, replied that this was obviously true, for the master not only had no licence, but he also broke through the defence boom, was carrying dangerous goods, did not report his arrival at the Marine Department, had no clearance, no lights, no coxswain and no engineer.

In addition, Inspector Pile said that the man was travelling during prohibited hours.

Mr. D. Cairns fined the man a total of HK\$700.

TOC H CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Tai Hoi House (Toe H) 30, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30 p.m. today.

The programme will include: Children's Overture, (Quilter), Ceremony of Carols, (Britten), Christmas Concerto, (Corelli), Boutique Fantastique, (Ressan), and "Peter and the Wolf" (Prokofiev).

Chinese, and the control of flour and butter is also a point on which it can be said that Chinese interests here are not as well protected as the non-Chinese interests.

Mr. Ma said he personally knew the arguments against this state of affairs, but the question was whether the Chinese realised it or not. The psychological aspect of the racial discrimination in China is an intense inferiority complex manifested by the Chinese towards the foreigner which started as a matter of courtesy but later developed into an expectation by right, if not by practice.

In connection with the latter the speaker concluded, by saying that the "spoiling of our friends" enables them to assume a superiority complex towards Chinese, however unintentional. The question of language difficulty is another point that could be said to explain this state of affairs, he concluded.

The total contribution of the Chinese taxpayers is out of proportion to the extent of amenities compared with those offered to the non-Chinese. The amount of hospital beds, school rooms, broadcast entertainment is a glaring example that rankle in the minds of the Chinese residents in Hong Kong he added.

The Chinese businessmen complain that they have difficulty in obtaining exchange quota in American Dollars and in Japan exports. They complain that the daily necessities for Chinese are not subject to such strict price control as those necessities required by the non-Chinese. The extent of supervision given towards rice, necessities of the

Yesterday's Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Birley, who were married at St. John's Cathedral yesterday. The bride is the former Miss Mona Shand. ("China Mail" photo).

Chinese Returning To Shansi To Fulfil Ambition

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

A gaunt-looking, gray-haired Chinese, respectfully attired in well-tailored tweeds of soft fawn, disembarked from the ss. President Wilson at Kowloon Wharf yesterday morning, lugging a bulging leather travelling bag.

Outwardly he was just one of the usual type of passengers arriving here from the United States either on business or personal visits. But, as it was subsequently discovered, he is no ordinary traveller.

Less than six hours later, he was seen queuing with some 100 people outside the Custodian Wharf to board the British coaster Hunan, bound for Communist-occupied Shansi Province via Tientsin.

And his strange mission? It was nearly half a century ago when a 16-year-old lad, one of four brothers and four sisters, left Taiyuan, in answer to Ninth Uncle's call "to sow his oats in the gold-ridden country of Mexico (America)."

Fifty years of "blood and sweat," pioneering in at least 10 American States, culminated in the establishment of a thriving eating house in San Francisco's Chinatown.

That, however, is not all. Somewhere in the residential suburbs of Chinatown, away from the glitter of city lights stands an imposing modern structure that bears a name which commands respect among the Chinese community.

Mission To Shansi

But success and wealth has not been the ultimate goal of the "self-made" native of Shansi. Ever since he left China the idea of returning to his home town and bringing his surviving kin—his aged mother and brothers—families—to his American house "to reap the harvest" has been uppermost in his thoughts.

Now he is heading for Shansi to fulfil this ambition. He is going to show and when he is going to fulfil his ambition under present circumstances, remains a mystery.

Reminders

Today
Toe H Classical Concert, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
HK Art Club sketching party, members to assemble at Queen's Pier, 10.30 a.m.
HK Light Orchestra Grand Christmas Concert, HK Hotel, 9 p.m.
European YMCA Armchair Group, talk on "Troy and Mycenae" by Miss J. Stuart, 8.30 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Tombola for Servicemen, 8 p.m.
HK University Annual Carol Concert, 9 p.m.
Y's Men's Club Christmas Party for Children of New Territories Club, at Cheong Yuen, 1 p.m.
Seventh Annual Chinese Products Exhibition, on site opposite Peninsula Hotel, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
HK Women's International Club Special Xmas Dance (admission by ticket only) from 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.
Seventh Annual Chinese Products Exhibition, on site opposite Peninsula Hotel, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, at PWD offices 3 p.m.
Kowloon Junior School, annual prize day, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Nine Dragons Services Club, Spotlight Band of South Staffs, 8 p.m.
HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg., 4.15 p.m.
Seventh Annual Chinese Products Exhibition, on site opposite Peninsula Hotel, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Nine Dragons Services Club, Children's Party, 3.30 p.m.; HK Light Orchestra Concert, 9 p.m.
Toe H meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Seventh Annual Chinese Products Exhibition, on site opposite Peninsula Hotel, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Christmas Carol Service, Hop Yai Church, Bonham Road, 8 p.m.

ments which marked his life. Tragedy struck when after a few blissful years of matrimony, his American-born Chinese wife died.

His only son answered the nation's call after Pearl Harbor. The war claimed him. "Life has been a spell of loneliness. If my efforts are successful, perhaps that will suffice to make up for what's been lost during the years," he said.

Eventually he owned a laundry establishment of his own. But, rather than carry on competition with his kin, he changed occupation and joined the cuisine business.

Meteoric Rise

Then began a meteoric rise. Serving as waiter in several establishments renowned for their delicacies, he began to acquire experience both in management and in the "fine art" of the beck of wharf labourers, curious tourists and socialites.

The supreme moment came early in the 30s, when he invested all his savings—from tips and wages—in a friend's eating establishment.

The rewards came gradually but when 10 years had passed he had become wealthy.

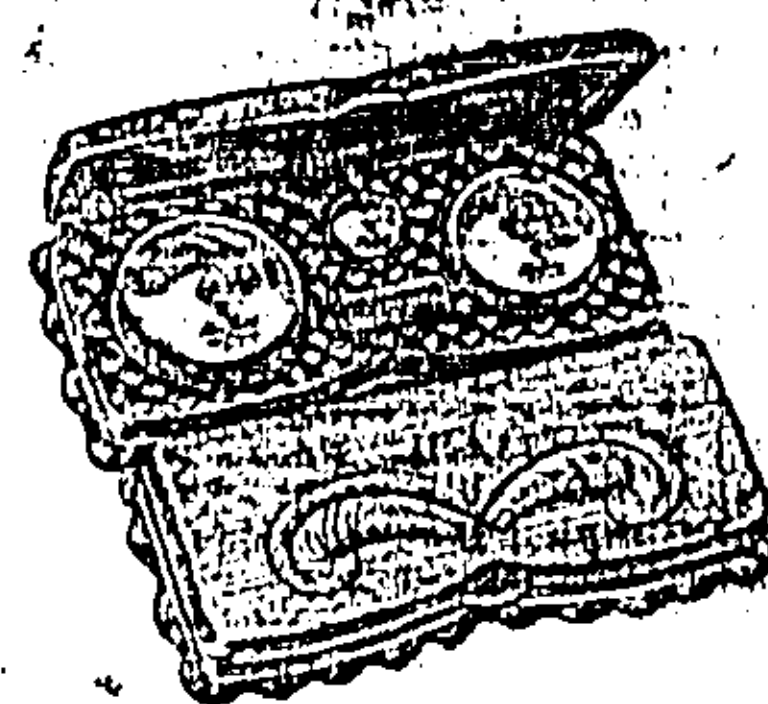
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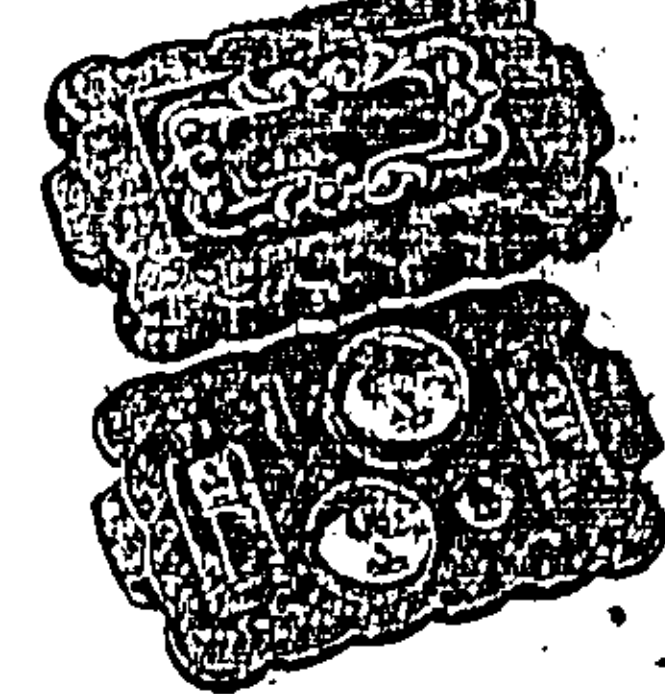
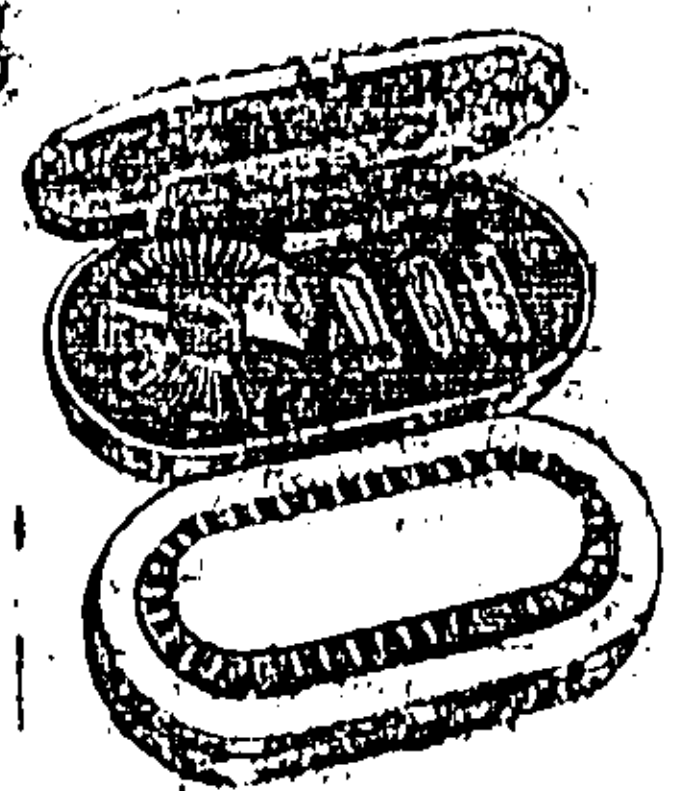
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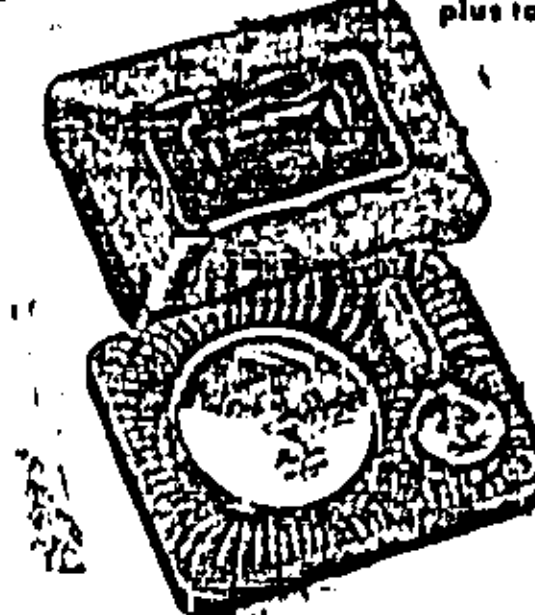
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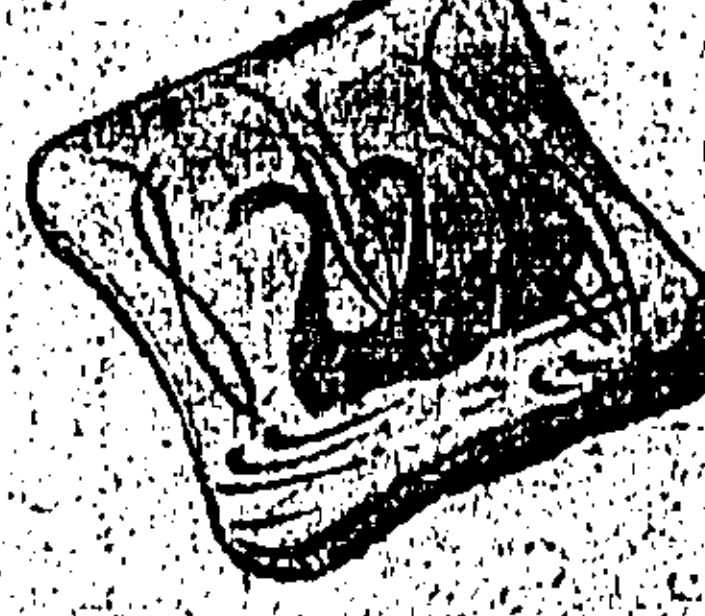
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JANUARY

(December 21-January 10)

It looks as though you will be in the midst of a pre-holiday rush. A good deal of cash needed for new ventures but more than expected comes in. Wednesday promises to be high-spot of an important venture which may determine your actions for the next few years.

FEBRUARY

(January 20-February 18)

You will probably plunge into pre-holiday entertaining in next few days. Ideal week for making friends, hospitality. Fairly good prospects for money making, though you will find friends expensive and creditors importunate.

MARCH

(February 19-March 20)

Something accomplished through the intervention of a new friend either on Monday or Friday. A good week for routine profits but some setbacks for speculation. Liberty of the last eight or nine months likely to be appreciated and perhaps recorded.

APRIL

(March 21-April 20)

More to be gained by judicious entertaining and use of goodwill than by concentrated effort. Don't neglect introductions given mid-

WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R. H. Naylor

week, particularly if women are involved. Threatened storm in household affairs might be avoided towards Friday.

MAY

(April 21-May 20)

Venus and Jupiter on your mid-heaven should bring pre-holiday "luck," and pleasant experiences. Good news from abroad possibly offset by anxiety about a younger relative or old friend. Don't neglect social opportunities on Tuesday and Friday.

JUNE

(May 21-June 20)

Good news from friends overseas and probably gifts as well. At the same time some important decision made about a family move next year. Interesting social experiences but take care you don't spend too much on amusement.

JULY

(June 21-July 20)

Your movements this week depend upon the other person—business or marriage partner associate or close friend. Important for new schemes, you are likely to get just the co-operation you have been waiting for. End of week may bring slight shock about a relative away from home.

AUGUST

(July 21-August 21)

Though financial problems will be difficult to side-step, yet you will find plenty to enjoy in life this week. A prosperous friend proves helpful and generous; your own personal prestige increases daily. Monday likely to mark beginning of important business period.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22-September 22)

You find new energy and fresh resources this week. Hence problems that have been baffling you for eight or nine months become much easier. Loyal backing both from subordinates and new friends end of week.

OCTOBER

(September 23-October 23)

Mysteries prevail throughout the week though one of them— affecting the family—may be cleared up about Friday. Most promising week socially and propitious, too, for any dealings with children or young people.

NOVEMBER

(October 24-November 22)

If in touch with relatives, you count upon their generosity and hospitality this week. But old friends may become a burden if you are too soft-hearted. Better avoid tele-grams that are likely to lead to recriminations.

DECEMBER

(November 23-December 20)

If business crisis has been impending for last few weeks, a way out may be found before Friday. Consider re-investing what money you have, cashing in on publicity schemes and useful associates. Interesting and possibly somewhat difficult week for family affairs.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18: FOR MOST OF US: Happy stars shine today, yield to the atmosphere of kindness and pleasure-seeking and enjoy yourself. Ideal for clearing up personal problems.

FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pastel Shades, 6, Turquoise.

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins one of the easiest and possibly one of the most prosperous years you have had for many a long day. Between now and your next birthday you should have established yourself in a covered how to be happy and how to make others happy too. The only drawback to the year may be that you will be so contented that you tend to drift.

There will be few problems in your life in 1950 but don't forget that this pleasant atmosphere may not prevail after your next birthday. Make some attempt to put a little aside for a rainy day or to build up reserves of goodwill. Don't be content just to live from one month to another.

Your usual income will increase almost immediately and more particularly during February. You may also benefit through windfalls or if—like many Sun-Sagittarians—you have something of the gambler in you, through speculation.

At the same time you will probably be spending lavishly, particularly on travel and entertaining. More than one opportunity to go abroad will come your way and if you have the courage to take them you would find the experience most enjoyable. If you stay at home, it looks as though you will keep open house.

You could not have better prospects for getting married, so, if eligible and thinking of engagement, go ahead. If already settled, there will be a new arrival somewhere in the family circle and more than one engagement in your group of relatives.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18: FOR MOST OF US: Difficult to settle down to any one job during morning and afternoon. Late in day will probably come more tendency to quarrel. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although this promises to be an unsettled year, yet it should not be an unhappy one. You have one or two disappointments ahead in the near future, but after that you get renewed courage and energy and probably forge ahead.

If you are at present living a restricted existence, or have had difficulties with older people, your troubles are not likely to clear up until the middle of the year. It will probably be necessary to face up to a quarrel or at any rate very plain speaking before a break can be arranged.

Yet it will be worth while going ahead with new plans rather than clinging to longstanding arrangements. After August especially, you would find it of little avail to stay in your present environment or present job. So consider a change towards your next birthday.

Look after health particularly if you have a sensitive digestion and you are in close contact with older relatives be prepared for a certain amount of anxiety about them. It may also be a year of small mishaps so be careful.

Although family life is likely to be troubled you need not despair of finding happiness this year. Towards your next birthday—probably about October—you make a friend who will have a great influence upon your life and affairs. This new link-up may not affect you very closely in 1950, but it will have important repercussions in the years to come.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20: FOR MOST OF US: Day of restless moods and probably of unnecessary changes. Leave anything that matters until as late as possible in the day. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pale Yellow, 5, Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: For the first few months of your birthday year you are likely to feel unsettled and discontented. It will be hard to see just how affairs will turn out and to plan for more than a few weeks ahead. Circumstances over which you have no control will throw out many of your arrangements.

After Easter the outlook becomes more settled and you will find that changes that came about in January and February have turned out better than you anticipated. Towards your next birthday you should be able to get going on interesting new schemes and accomplish a good deal before the end of the year.

Money problems seem to be absent most of the time although you will find unable to count on any one source of income for very long. But if one source fails be sure you will find another before many weeks have passed.

Travel stars are strong this year and you will get more than one opportunity to go abroad. Better not embark upon lengthy journeys until after June. If you travel much in the period between Christmas and June your plans would go awry. After that all should be well and you could count upon fresh interest and enjoyment.

Throughout the year you will find that you have a great deal to do with younger people and possibly with children. Your personal life will not be very unsettled. One relationship that has meant a good deal to you in the past is likely to be broken up but you will form many new ties before the end of the year and one of these may prove of great value.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21: FOR MOST OF US: Stick to the people and methods you know. Experiments might prove disastrous this morning. Good for anything that concerns the family or property. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Red-brown, 8, Jade.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although this is likely to be a successful year on the whole, you will have more than one disagreeable decision to make before you are much older. You will probably have to choose between new and glamorous ties and the claims of duty, family, old associations.

You need have no doubts about returning to former scenes or be-

ing loyal to old friends. New link-ups are not likely to benefit you during 1950. On the other hand, some scheme that originated in early war days should now become of great value.

Money comes in pretty steadily through an old investment or through property. Don't expect, though, to make money in speculation or in entertainment schemes. If you have money to spare, buy a house. If you already own one, consider improving it.

You will have much to do with older people and particularly with an old man. A link-up of this kind could only be beneficial whether or not the other person concerned is related to you. If he is one of your family circle, so much the better.

In your personal life you will be inclined to chase will-o'-the-wisps and to lose money and time over unsatisfactory friends. Better note that your only real happiness this year would come through established friendships or through the family. On no account make impulsive changes before your next birthday.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22: FOR MOST OF US: Excellent business day particularly if new ideas need trying out. Good too for interviews and social schemes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Royal Purple, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: In so far as your career and your finances are concerned, this should be a bumper year. By the time you reach your next birthday you will have gained a good deal of what you are hoping for and you should be considerably better off. From a personal angle, it may be a year of experiments and a few difficulties but one of considerable happiness.

The kindly planet Jupiter is the strongest factor in your birthday stars, hence you need not worry about getting on the right side of those in authority about making money or about doing well in your job. But Jupiter also makes for complacency; don't let success induce smugness before your next birthday.

Socially it will be a year of great opportunities. You make friends who should be useful to you for many years to come. Also, you will probably plunge into a good deal of social activity early in 1950 and towards the end of the year.

Although you will make friends in 1950, yet you will probably make a new enemy too. At the same time someone who has been close to you in the past becomes alienated or goes abroad. On the whole it will be a happy period though you may be worried by the behaviour of someone in whom you were formerly interested. The family do well and you share in their prosperity. If thinking of marriage, you could hardly have better portents than those in force in the coming 12 months.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23: FOR MOST OF US: A happy day for anyone interested in music or entertainment. Helpful influences

for tele-grams and interviews. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Violet Blue, 6, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although on the plane of practical affairs this may be a year of uncertainty and some changes, where personal happiness and achievement are concerned it should be all that you could wish. Though you may not make much money this year, you will find friends, satisfy one ambition.

Portents are all in favour of success socially or in some artistic experiment. If you have an interest in music, the arts or in the occult, you will find fresh means of self-expression this year. Also, you will gain the appreciation and success you have been hoping for.

Financially you may have ups and downs although you should end the year fairly comfortably. There is some likelihood of "gambler's luck" either in March, May or October. Beware though of loss through making rash changes about August.

You will probably get an opportunity to do something that might be wise to take it. If you stay in your present job or environment, be careful you do not fall out with somebody of importance—employer or prosperous friend.

You need have no doubts about your personal life. More than one opportunity to get a new and important scheme going. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Leaf Green, 4, Emerald.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24: FOR MOST OF US: In spite of impending holiday, don't neglect business. More than one opportunity to get a new and important scheme going. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Leaf Green, 4, Emerald.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Success this year depends upon your own courage and enterprise. Born when you were, you will have undoubted courage but you may need to get the better of your native caution before you dare to experiment. Remember that it would be foolish to cling too closely to precedent and tradition; much could be achieved this year through new tactics and daring schemes.

A chance should materialise in the next few months to take up new work or to set up on your own. Alternatively, you plunge into an unsought adventure either in February or June and make a great success of it. Changes of some kind are inevitable before the beginning of July.

You will have a few financial crises in 1950 but taking a long view all is well. Some long-standing investment brings in enough to keep you going and also you do better than expected in new work.

It will be a changeable year and you may have to go abroad. Don't hesitate to move about to get a new house, to deal with strangers and foreigners. What you attempt in this way between now and August will affect your affairs closely during the next four years.

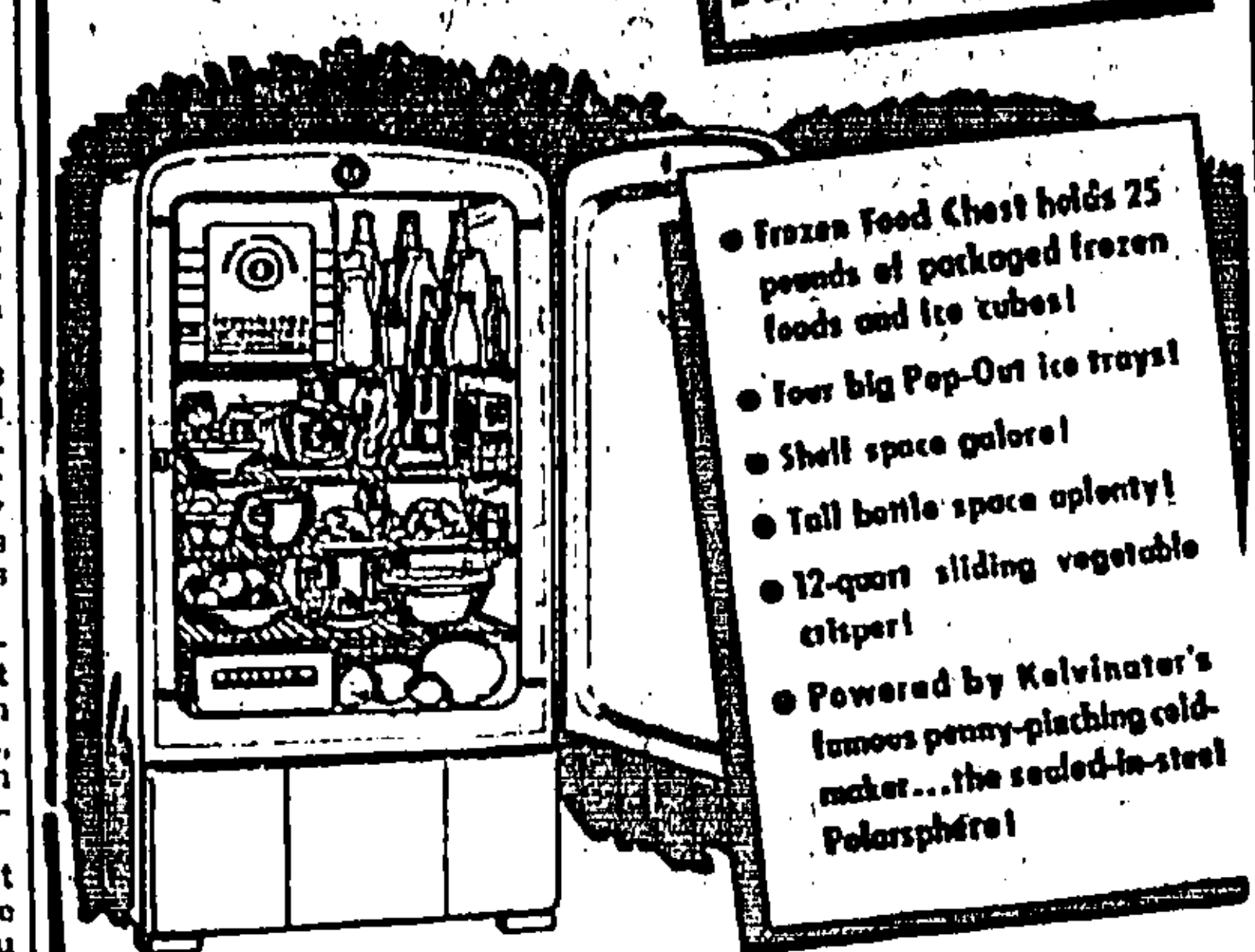
A change-over is likely too in your personal life. If now unmarried, you may plunge into matrimony rather unexpectedly within six months. If already settled, the whole family may be uprooted before the end of June. But whether married or single, new friendships flourish this year and you find greater scope than formerly for your personality.

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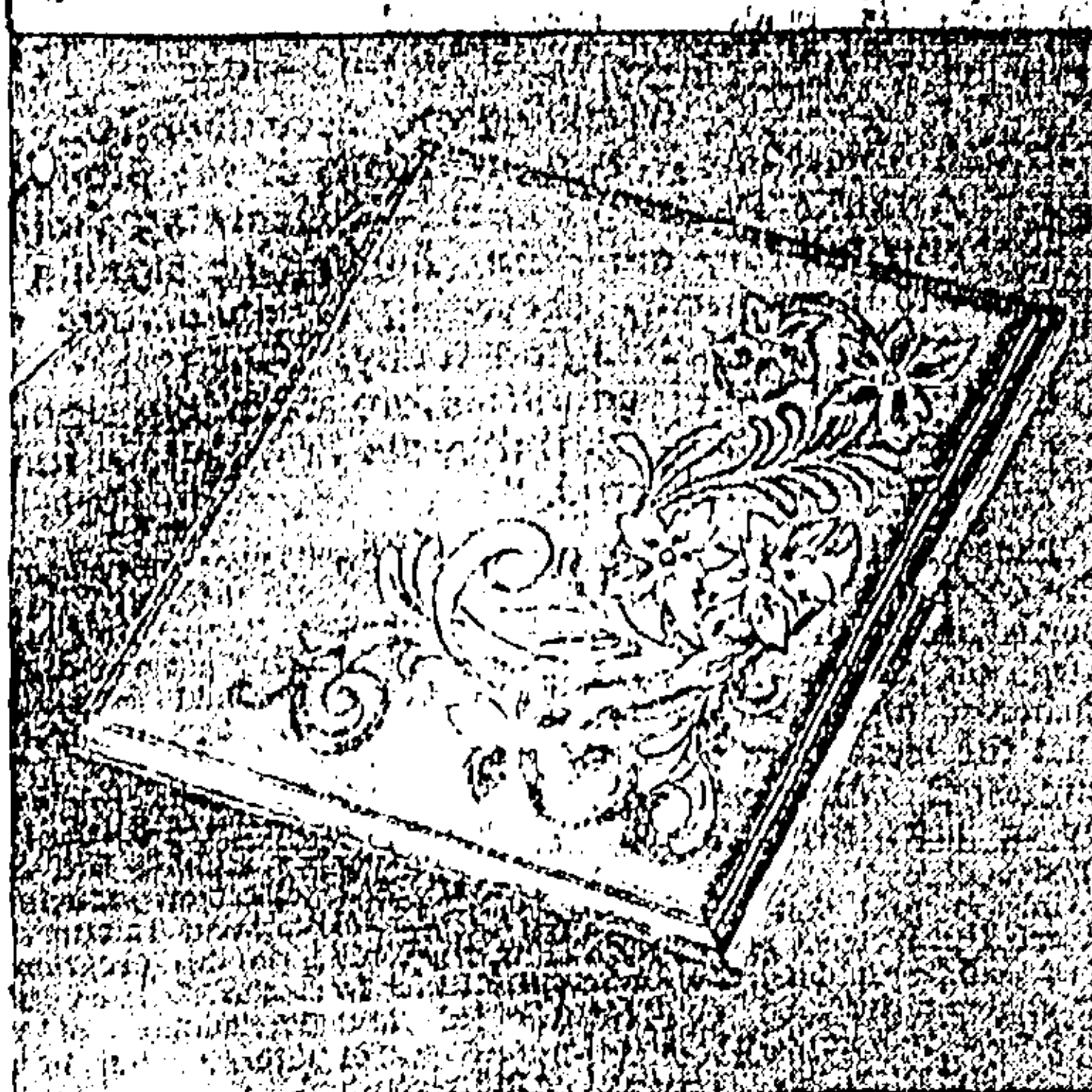
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Patrick Campbell's Piece

Today it's going to be a number of fascinating short paragraphs, rather than one long, terribly good piece. This exciting innovation will have the effect of making it look like a newspaper column. There are going to be names, and revelations, and everything, and each paragraph will have a heading—a professional job—to arouse interest, conjecture, or a smile.

Paragraph I. Do Novelists Wear False Teeth?

An interesting exhibition of circus posters, models, and other historic relics—a trace of the sawdust ring was opened during the week in a large store in Piccadilly by Mr. Compton Mackenzie, the distinguished novelist. Among the large and fashionable audience were a number of former circus performers.

When Mr. Mackenzie took the stand to inaugurate the exhibition, one of these performers, pointing to Mr. Mackenzie's upper and lower sets, cried in a low, hoarse voice, "Blimey, 'e's 'ad 'em all ah!" Subsequently photographs were taken and the owner of the collection, Mr. Anthony Hippisley Cox, received many congratulations.

One of the preceding paragraphs I don't mean that photographs were taken of Mr. Mackenzie's teeth. No, I mean that Mr. Hippisley Cox received congratulations for the collection of teeth that he had given to Mr. Compton Mackenzie. What I do mean is that photographs were

taken of the whole of Mr. Mackenzie, and Mr. Hippisley Cox, seated on a chair, with a collection of circus relics. This paragraph-writing business seems to be tougher than I thought.

Paragraph II. Christmas.

Cracker Bazaar Of The National Association Of Clubs And Mixed Clubs.

(I don't seem to be able to boil that lot down any further.)

Dropped in the May Fair Hotel on Wednesday eve to the Christmas Cracker Bazaar of the National Association of Clubs and Mixed Clubs, whose President, of course, is Mr. Douglas Fairbanks, K.B.E., and the Deputy President is the Lady Woolton, and the Chairman is the Hon. Mrs. Ravensdale, and the De-

puty Chairman is her Grace the Duchess of Leeds, and the Honorary Treasurer is Sir Bernard Daker, and the Deputy Treasurer is Miss L. Sewell.

And—oh—the Vice-Presidents are Mrs. C. R. Atlee, and the Hon. Lady Cripps, G.B.E., and Mrs. Lewis Douglas, and 11 more.

The organisers and the many voluntary helpers succeeded in

getting together no fewer than 25 stalls, under the auspices of the Variety, United, American Teen-Age, Canteen, Ice-Cream Parlour, Beauty Specialist, Cakes and Sweets, and 13 more.

After an enjoyable tour of the stalls, your reporter got nicked for two lots of raffle tickets.

Your reporter was unable to identify the lady who sold him the ticket for the Christmas Hamper, but failing any small change he was compelled to give her a 21 note. (The lady said, "I'm so sorry, but I must rush away for change, but you're so divinely tall, I'm sure I'll be able to find you in the crowd.")

Your reporter laughingly replied, "And you're so extremely small I doubt if I will ever see you again."

Your reporter followed the lady to the Beauty Specialist stall and succeeded in getting back what was owing to him.

Your reporter—who is this, anyway?—was then sold a raffle ticket by two young ladies from the American Teen-Age Canteen. They might have been either Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Douglas Fairbanks, Miss Sue Johnson, Miss Sally Johnson, Mrs. Anderson-Johnson, Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Cornwall, Mrs. English, Mrs. McClure, Mrs. North, Mrs. O'Brien, or Mrs. Powell.

The young lady who sold him the ticket said: "Would you care to buy a raffle ticket for a free trip by sea or air to Paris, and four days in Paris with all expenses paid?"

Your reporter said: "Oh, yes, please."

While the young lady was writing down his name and address

your reporter said: "Can I have two tickets, please, so that I can bring my wife to Paris as well?"

It was only while she was making out the second ticket that we both realised that there must be some limit to the number of Paris tickets available.

Your reporter was about to ask the young lady whether, if he bought 12 tickets, he could bring his wife, child, dog, father, mother, two uncles, an aunt, and Mrs. McClure, Mrs. North, Mrs. O'Brien, and Mrs. Powell to Paris in one large party, but didn't, because he suspected that the young lady—(Miss Sue Johnson? Miss Sally Johnson? Mrs. Anderson-Johnson?)—had already perceived the fallacy herself.

He accepted the two tickets and said: "Thanks very much—I'm bound to wife."

To his surprise the young lady replied: "So do I."

Paragraph III. Which Twin Rides A Bicycle?

Then, off, rather skitter, to the Park Lane Hotel, to meet Ireland's Loveliest Twins, Ireland's Loveliest Twin, in the interests of you know what, were meeting two lots of England's Loveliest Twins, and it was pretty exciting to be in the same room with six people all looking exactly like one of the others.

The Irish twins were called Maureen and Kathleen O'Keefe, or Kathleen and Maureen O'Keefe, and they were wearing identical white satin—or scalloped uncrushable crepe—dresses, with gold spots.

It was perfectly easy to tell them apart if you remembered that Maureen was not quite so tall, by the eighth of an inch, as Kathleen, or that Kathleen was taller than Maureen by—well—the eighth of an inch.

"Hello," said your reporter (and hello to you, cock, glad you're back).

Both twins said, "Hello."

"Are you from Dublin?" said your reporter. Then, thinking this might be a foolish question in view of the fact that they were Ireland's Loveliest Twins, he added: "I mean, you don't come from Borisokane, Lisdoonvarna or Bray?"

"Oh, no," said Maureen. "We're from Dublin," said Kathleen.

"That's funny," said your reporter. "I come from Dublin too." We all thought it was funny, like breaking a leg.

One pair of England's Loveliest Twins were then introduced to Ireland's Loveliest Twins; and your reporter, to his consternation, found that the English Loveliest Twins were called Campbell. He shut backwards into a corner, trembling. After a moment he took a quick look at himself in a mirror, thinking he might suddenly have turned into one of England's Loveliest Triplets.

He was then given a sheet of paper by a lady who was looking after Ireland's Loveliest Twins. It was entitled "Biography of O'Keefe Twins." He read it with attention.

"Attended St. Louis High School, Rathmines, Dublin, where they were both interested in games, Kathleen particularly in Comagie (an Irish form of Hockey)."

"On leaving school the twins both started work as computer operators in milk distribution firms. They both do similar work, but as they are employed by competitive firms there is keen rivalry between them. Not only is this their first fight, but their first visit to London. At Dublin Airport the twins were seen off by their family, mother, father, two sisters and a brother and also by two six-year-old Dublin twin girls."

Your reporter left in a rage. It isn't called Comagie at all. It's CAMOGIE!

What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

Lu Han's Coup

NEW LIFE EVENING POST. The arching of allegiance of Yunnan to the People's Central Government does not mean that General Lu Han, the governor, has surrendered to the Communists. The turn over has been made merely for Lu Han's selfish interests.

The Communists have either approved or opposed Lu Han's military administration committee. But it is certain that they are determined to send their troops into the province, and transfer the Nationalist and other local troops elsewhere.

When switching his affiliations, General Lu Han did not foresee this.

The Yunnan Incident benefits neither the Nationalists nor the Communists. In addition, orders by General Luang-Yun have not been implemented by General Lu Han.

On the other hand Lu Han will find it difficult to extricate himself from his present position made complicated by his blundering decisions.

Whatever the outcome, he will see out.

International Peace

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO. Resolutions made are not always carried out. The only outstanding achievement of the fourth conference of the United Nations General Assembly is the resolution on the international peace proposal. It was supported by 53 nations.

The fundamental human rights of all people, according to the resolution, must be respected. Their standard of living must be improved. In addition the veto power must be restricted and brute force outlawed.

This is the resolution. But will it be implemented by the nations? Obviously this resolution is aimed against Soviet Russia and is satellites behind the Iron Curtain where the common people have been deprived of their basic human rights.

Unless resolutions adopted by international bodies are fully implemented, what is the use of having a United Nations Organisation?

Guerilla Warfare

SING TAO JIH PAO. The Nationalists have decided to continue the war against the Communists on the mainland by waging guerilla warfare. This type of war will give the Government a breathing spell to settle down and map out other plans.

The guerillas on the mainland may or may not be able to achieve their primary objective. There is no doubt, however, they will be able to harass the Communists and cause confusion within the Communist camp.

But, who suffers but the common people? They have been suffering hardships as a result of war for the past 10 years. They had hoped that when the Japanese were defeated they would have a chance of settling down to reconstruct their lives and live in peace.

However, the civil war between the Nationalist and the Communists broke out and now the Nationalists have abandoned the mainland and left the war to the guerillas to fight.

Future Of Taiwan

SING TAO JIH PAO. The United States of America should leave Taiwan alone. The island's future does not concern America. The island belongs to China.

Taiwan, as the world knows, is part of China. Its people belong to the Chinese race.

Japanese aggressors secured the island in 1895 but it was definitely lost at the Cairo Conference that it should be returned to China immediately after the end of the war.

The Japanese peace treaty is still to be signed, but there is no doubt about the fact that Taiwan is part of China and will be continued to be so under the Nationalist or Communist government.

The island is our domestic affair and our internal problems should be left to us to settle.

Communist Administration

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO. The Communist authorities at Canton have demanded HK\$10,000,000 in Communist currency from the businessmen there.

This act confirms their general policy of making the people pay for their military campaigns.

According to reports, the Communists in Shanghai are also compelling industries to move their plants to North China. A number have already done so.

Both in Central and South China, the Communists have established trade monopolies for themselves. Free enterprise by the people is being discouraged. The people are at their mercy.

The Communists are in control of China mainland and can afford to delay whatever plans they have for exploiting the people. There is a reason for their present actions, which is connected with the increasing tension in Europe.

In fact, the Communists' actions in China tend to show that they are preparing for a third world war, presumably under orders from Moscow.

That is the reason why they are hurrying the removal of industrial plants away from the coast to the interior of North China where they will be less vulnerable to attacks from the Pacific.



"Dad, I think I'll ask Santa for money this year!"



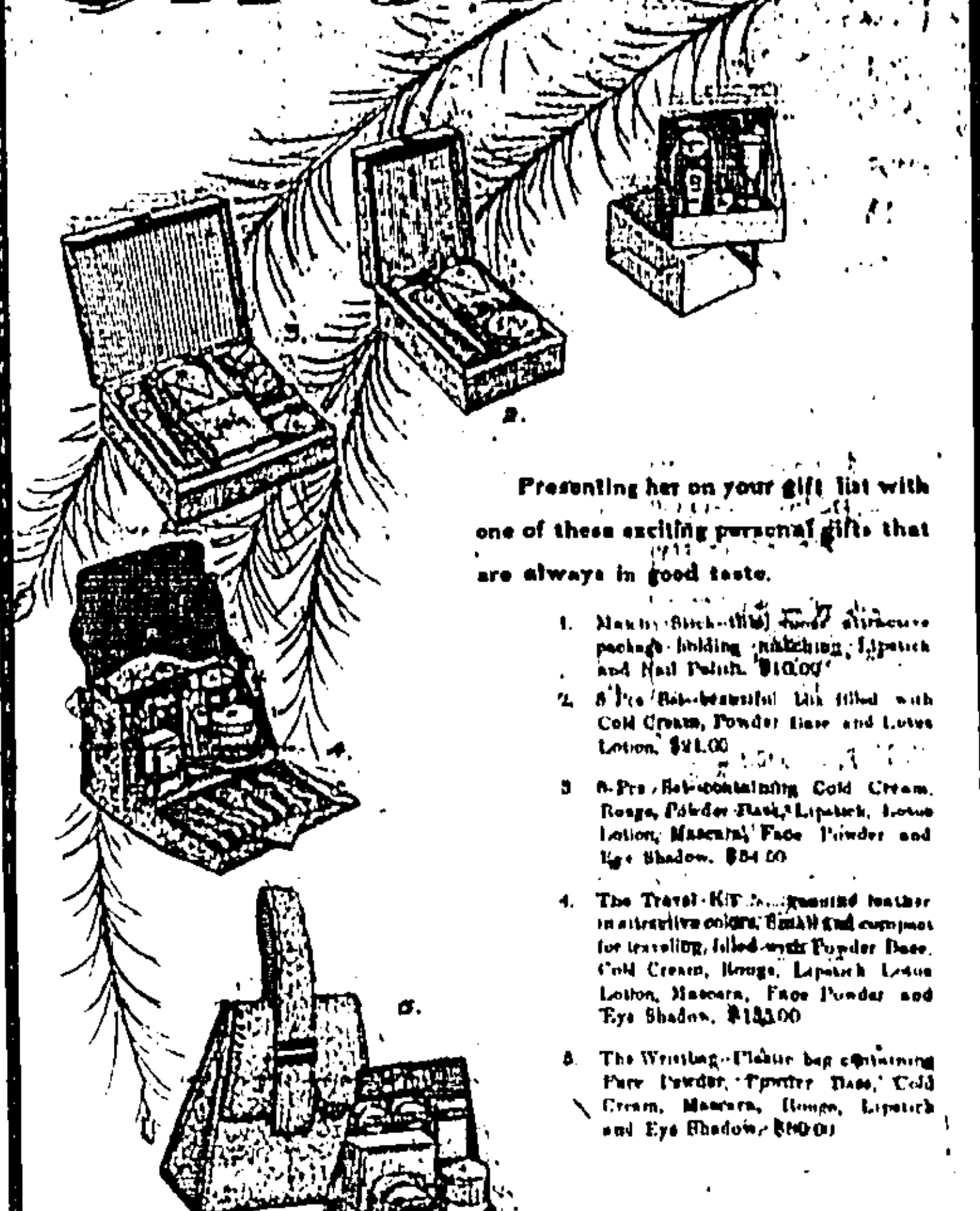
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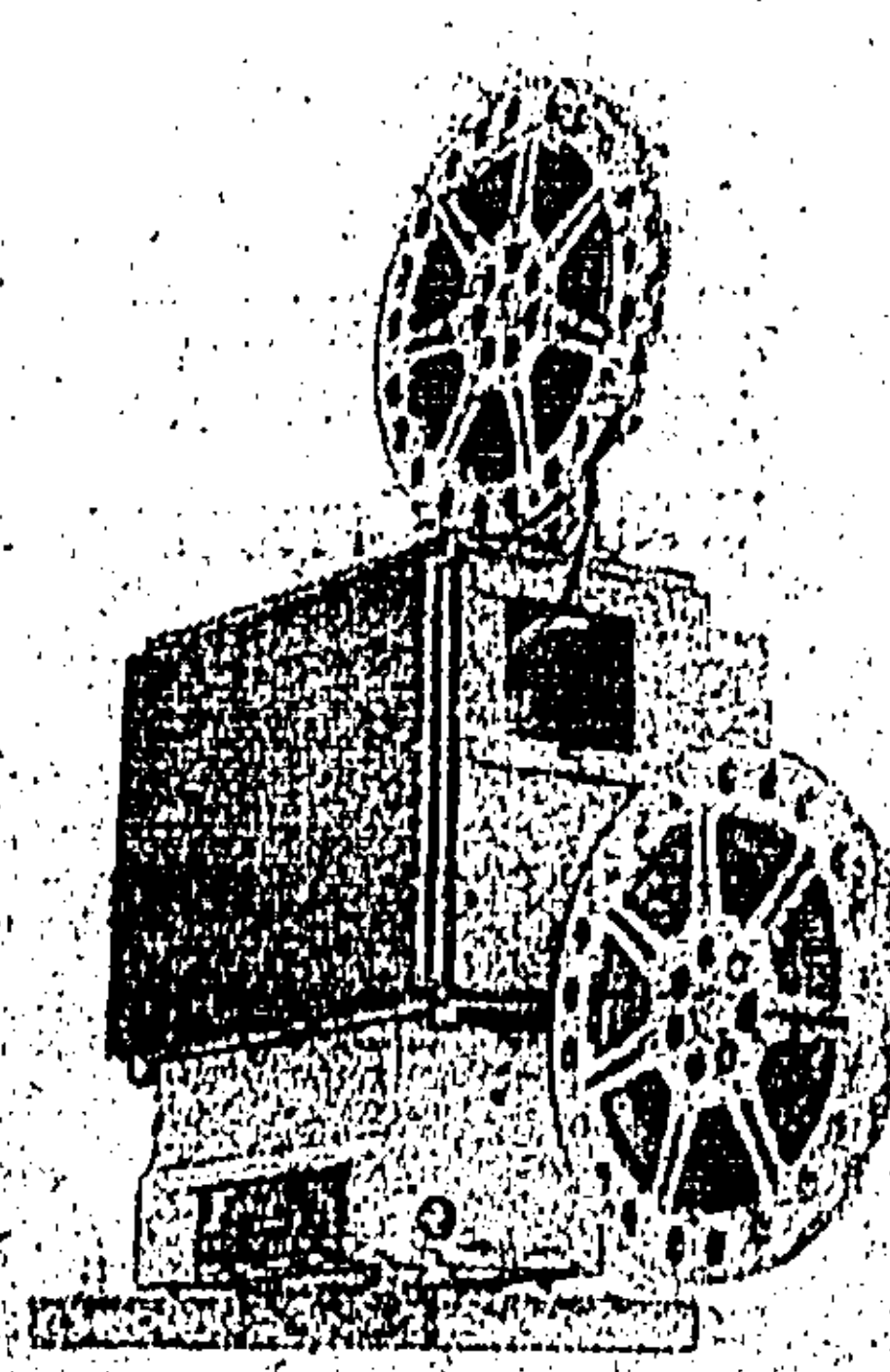
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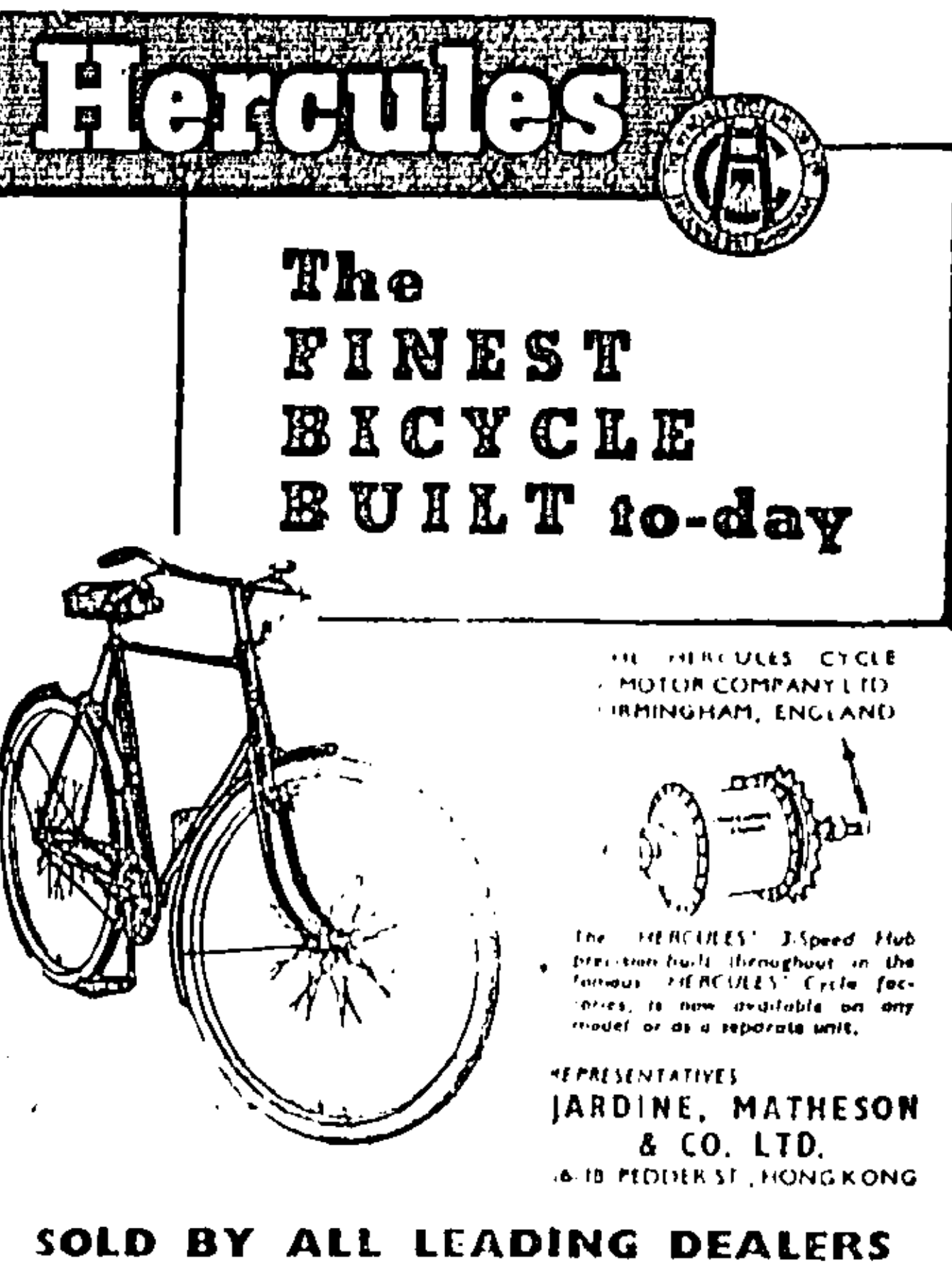
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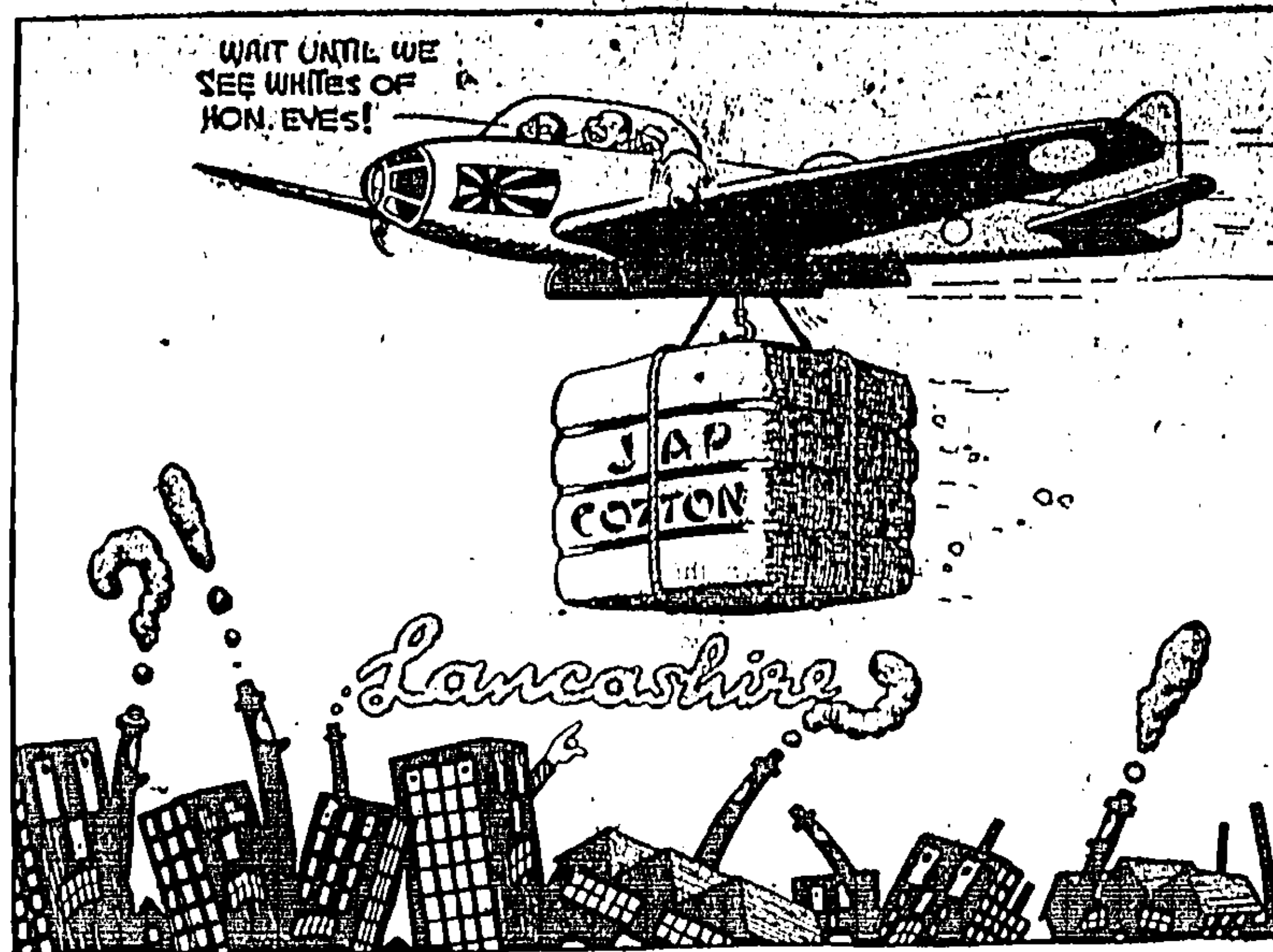
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Colonial Development Plans Up To 1952

Washington, December 17.

Five European nations with overseas territories or dependencies plan to spend the equivalent of US\$2,500,000,000 on colonial development through 1952, it was disclosed today. The countries are Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Portugal.

The United States will provide about \$23,500,000 of the total through Marshall Plan funds.

Government officials said the development programme would dovetail with President Truman's "point four" plan to build up underdeveloped territories throughout the world.

Most of the funds—the bulk in local currency—will be spent in developing Africa. The remainder will go to South American and Far Eastern holdings.

Officials of the Economic Co-operation Administration point out that two-fifths of the dollars earned by Western Europe come from their outside territories. Since Europe is finding it difficult to sell enough goods directly to the United States to provide needed dollars, expansion of its territories appears to be the next best bet.

Harlan Cleveland, in charge of ECA's Overseas development programme, declined to comment directly on the development programmes, but he did say, "Remarkable strides have been made in Europe by the Organisation for European Economic Recovery in gaining the co-operation of colonial powers on developing their overseas territories. The rational basis of overseas development can only be done by the countries themselves, with our help."

In terms of Marshall Plan dollars, U.S. help would be about \$23,500,000. That includes \$8,500,000 of ECA technical assistance funds made available for the colonies from the \$15,000,000 fund for 19 ERP nations. An additional \$20,000,000 has been

Russia May Attack Tito In Six Weeks

Cincinnati, Ohio,
December 16.

Philip Mosely, head of the Russian Institute at Columbia University, declared here today that there is an even chance that Russia will invade Yugoslavia within six weeks.

Mr. Mosely made the statement in an address before the Foreign Policy Association. His prediction of six weeks is based on the fact that the Danube will be frozen until the middle of February and armoured troops would be able to cross easily.

The foreign affairs expert said Russia probably will choose to invade the neighbouring country if her leaders are thinking only of Eastern Europe. He added that the belief that such action would speed consolidation of Western Europe against Russia would be a deterrent to any invasion.—United Press.

tentatively allocated for projects involving overseas development.—United Press.

BRITAIN OBJECTING TO PROVISIONS OF ATLANTIC PACT

Washington, December 16.

British objections to two provisions of the proposed Atlantic Pact agreement—concerning American military aid—are holding up signing of the agreement, according to diplomatic officials in Washington today.

Seven other Pact countries are delaying signing the agreement until they see how Britain fares, these officials said.

FRENCH DEFENCE PLANS

Paris, December 16.

The Defence Minister, Rene Pleven, today asked the National Assembly for a US-\$1,200,000,000 military budget for 1950 to develop the French armed forces. He said France's programme of military development falls into three main categories:

1. A five-year programme of aircraft construction to be submitted to the National Assembly at once. It will concentrate on the production of a small number of modern planes, with the technical help of America, Britain and other Atlantic Pact members.

2. A total of 10,500 tons of naval vessels to be built in 1950, including three escort vessels, two submarines, 3,000 tons of amphibious craft and 1,200 tons of minesweepers. France expects the delivery of an aircraft carrier from the United States.

3. A drive to improve the morale of officers. Mr. Pleven proposed to assure the stability of an Army career and a high standard of living and to do away with the cliques which grew up during the liberation.

The Minister also told the National Assembly's Military Committee that France's planned military expenditures for the next year are 18 per cent of the total national budget. He said Britain had earmarked 23 per cent of its announced budget for military purposes, the United States 33 per cent and the Soviet Union 19 per cent. He added that about 17 per cent of French military expenditure will be on military construction and practically all of it will go to build up the nation's weak Air Force.—United Press.

PACIFIC QUAKE

Berkeley, December 16.

The University of California seismograph today recorded a moderate earthquake about 5,800 miles away in an undetermined direction. The tremor lasted for an hour.

Don Tschier, laboratory assistant, said it probably was somewhere in the Pacific.—United Press.

The British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, it is reported, told the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, that Britain fears that the loose wording of the suggested American draft might hurt Britain's export trade.

Officials said that Sir Oliver objected to a clause pledging each Pact country to help the others by shipping arms or equipment. It makes in its own factories when necessary.

The British are said to feel that the present language of the draft leaves the way open for Britain to supply other countries more than it receives from them and asks that a time limit on this kind of help be included in the agreement.

Sir Oliver also objected to the provision barring any Pact country receiving military aid from selling "similar" items to other countries and asked that the term "similar" be defined.

U.S. Upset

For example, he wants to know whether if the U.S. sends Jeeps to Britain, British manufacturers will be automatically prevented from selling lightweight lorries such as Austins to their normal customers.

State Department officials are reported to hope to be able to propose a compromise soon.

Officials of both the State Department are known to be upset at the delay in signing the arms agreement and slightly annoyed that the British waited three weeks before making their objections known.

The delay makes it unlikely that shipments of arms to pact countries can be started by January 1 next as arranged.

Spokesman Explains

Britain has sought clarification of her role in the defence of the North Atlantic Pact area before beginning actual negotiations with the United States for military equipment, Mr. Michael McDer-

mott, the State Department spokesman, said today.

The British Government asked for a preliminary general discussion before it would consider a bilateral arms agreement, he added.

The principal point relates to what will be expected of the British under the mutual aid concept," Mr. McDermott stated. "It is desirable that our relationship to the British in this programme be clear from the start, so as to avoid misunderstanding or differences of interpretation in the future."

He was not free to disclose what stage these preliminary discussions had reached, but they were proceeding "very smoothly."—Associated Press and Reuter.

GERMANS GOING TO MOSCOW

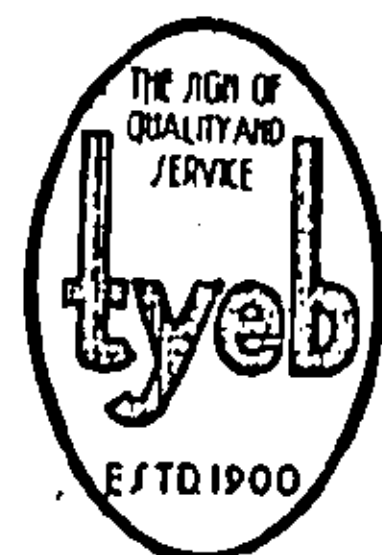
Berlin, December 16.

Herr Wilhelm Pieck, President of the East German Republic and Herr Georg Dertinger, the Foreign Minister, will leave for Moscow tomorrow to take part in the Stalin birthday celebrations on December 21, according to the East German news agency today.

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Behind The Political Scene

By ALASTAIR FORBES

Socialists' Sunday Best

Today is Sunday and, in pursuance of prevalent custom, many violent words are likely to be spoken from Socialist platforms before nightfall.

It may be thought suitable enough that the Labour Party should be the only one that makes it a rule never to rest from speechifying on the seventh day of the week.

There is indeed nothing particularly remarkable about the refusal of the Socialist to conform to a convention which originated more in a desire to secure the Nonconformist vote than in a desire to respect the Nonconformist conscience.

Fancy Dress

Reactionary in many things, they are uncompromisingly modern in this. Most forms of Sunday entertainment are now within the law, provided the artists refrain from appearing in costume. So Ministers may use fanciful arguments so long as they do not wear fancy dress.

One may wonder whether the disapproval with which Tories have come to regard this practice springs entirely from laudable spiritual motives. The disastrous anomaly by which the Church of England continues to be established, which is one of the principal causes of its failure to regain a position of moral authority in the State, should not blind anyone to the fact that the largest body of regular church-going Christians in the land are the 3,000,000-old Roman Catholics.

Foolish Humbug

Once the latter have heard "Mass" they are under no special restraint from a normal pursuit of happiness or learning. All church and no play, they sensibly hold, would make Jack a dull boy, and Sunday an unnecessarily dull day. Their well-balanced Sunday is dismissed by many Britons with the, to them, appropriate adjective "Continental".

What a foolish humbug is this! Its claims to serious consideration or respect are scarcely increased when one reflects that many of the prim and pious voices raised on their side choose as their forum the columns of the Sunday Press which, in its turn, distributes its often exceedingly Catholic offering of reading matter to its customers while puritans and preachers are still abed.

No doubt there are some Conservatives who would prefer to be abed all day and who are as reluctant to drag themselves to matins at the parish church as they are to rally forth to the far ends of their constituencies to take part in an afternoon or evening political rally.

It is not fair to the agnostic or atheist majority of the electorate that they should be forced by Tory intolerance to suffer under this boring Socialist monopoly of Sunday bedtime stories.

Saintly Stafford

The more unfortunate it is that some vestigial remnant of Christian belief on the part of such agnostics may cause them mistakenly to expect a higher standard of honesty or truthfulness from such saintly Socialists as Sir Stafford Cripps when he descends from the pulpit to mount the Sunday platform.

In fact, the very contrary appears to be the case, for the Chancellor, like many of his colleagues, saves his biggest whoppers for Sundays. His latest has been the statement that "There can seldom have been a period when the majority of the Press have set out to mislead and confuse the people of this country as they have done over the last few months" when went on to accuse the Press of "inventing... the facts."

It is believed that he has two courses open to him. One is to have his head examined. The other is to ask the Prime Minister to agree to the immediate setting-up of another Royal Commission to examine his ears.

Deaf Ears

The doctrine of Ministerial responsibility has under Socialism been superseded by the doctrine of Ministerial indispensability. Only Dr. Dalton accepted the traditional consequences of his blunder. And only Dr. Dalton's unpopularity with his senior Cabinet colleagues caused the Prime Minister to accept his resignation.

Other Ministers have waxed fat on swallowed words and broken promises. Even so high principled a man as Mr. Chuter Ede has twice had to turn a deaf ear to the voice of conscience.

Mr. Strachey no doubt has long lived out of earshot of any such unharmonious sound and would never have been expected to take upon himself blame which could conveniently be laid on his placemen or servants.

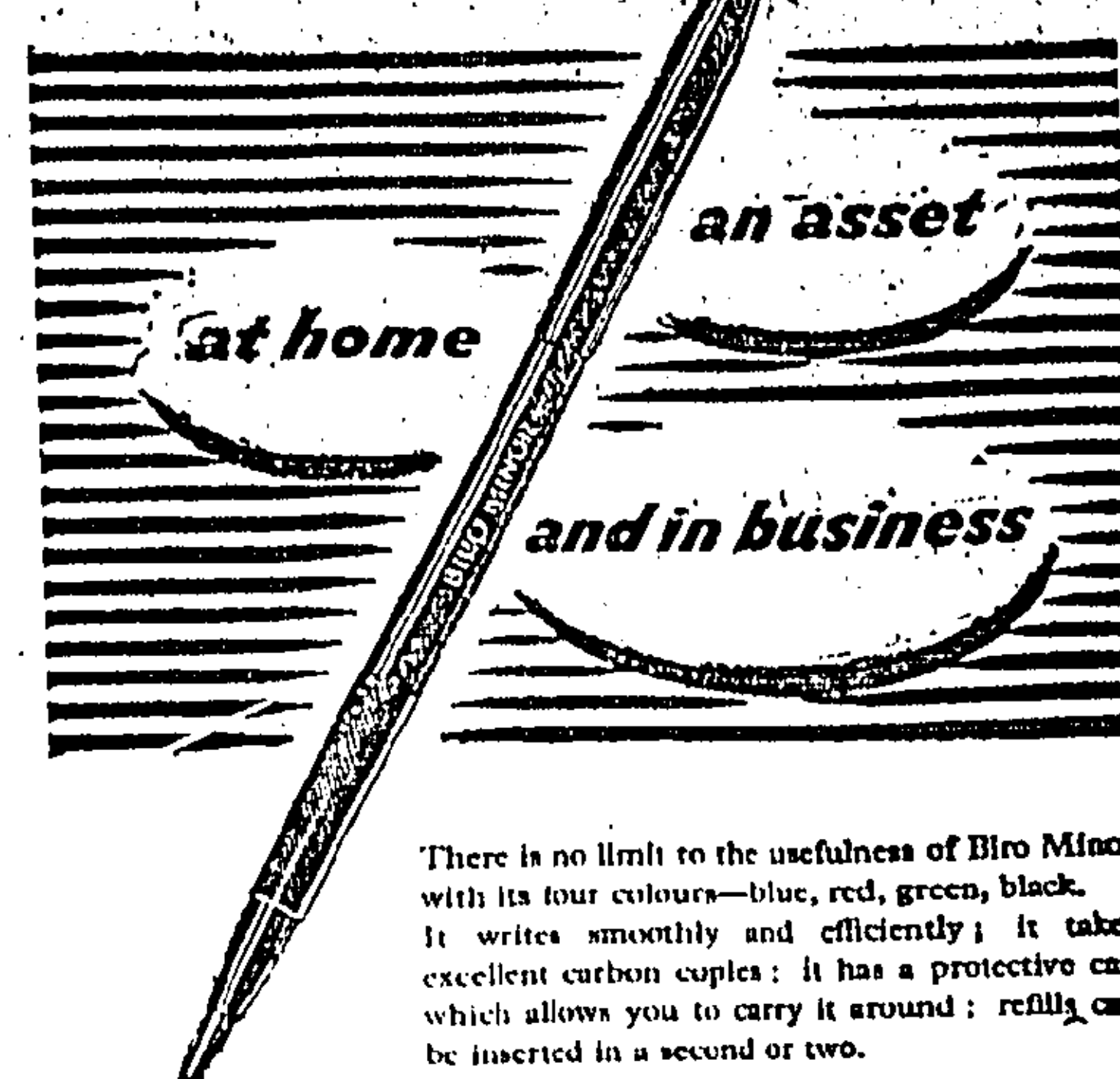
But what of Lord Pakenham, the Minister for Civil Aviation, who has cheerfully accepted himself to this inglorious band of diehards? Lord Pakenham, for whom I have the deepest regard and personal affection, and whose abilities are considerable, was a man of most delicate conscience when he joined the Ministry some years ago.

His Conscience

In the early days of his office his friends were often afraid lest that acute conscience lead him to resign over some matter of insufficient importance to justify the country being deprived of his



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by IRIS ASHLEY

This department has worn its heels down like a dachshund in your interest during the past week that is if you are interested in the running of a house.

For I have been earnestly tending the Building Exhibition at Olympia and the Mothercraft Exhibition at Central Hall, Westminster.

At Olympia, of course, there is the usual "room lined kitchen" and so on. It was on such a kitchen that I found a few of the old-fashioned, these stoves, these ranges, these things that you can see in the window of a house when you ask for a new one.

I don't think many people stop to realize that you can, in fact, get a new kitchen without a new house. Many people think that is the way that way.

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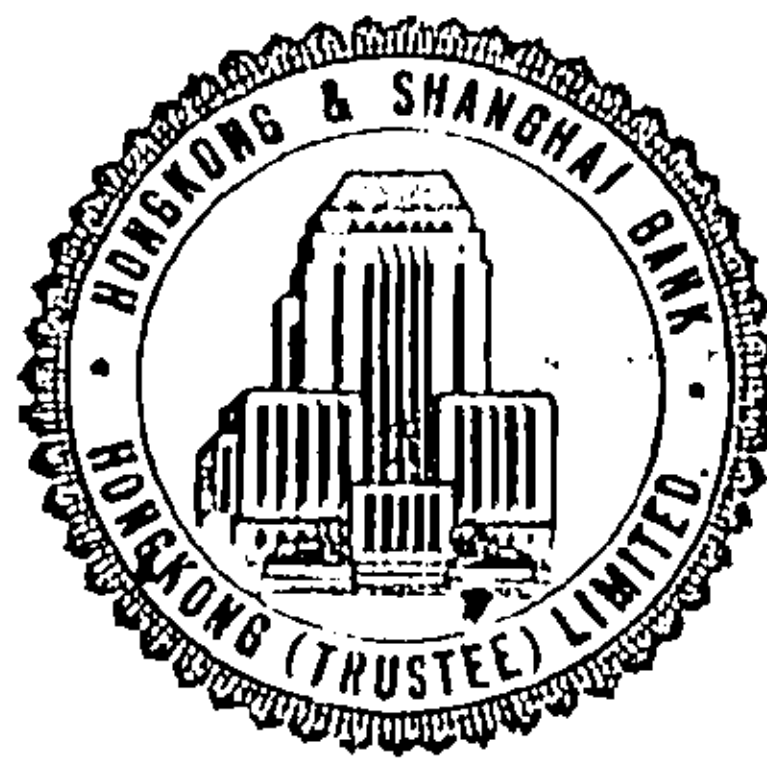
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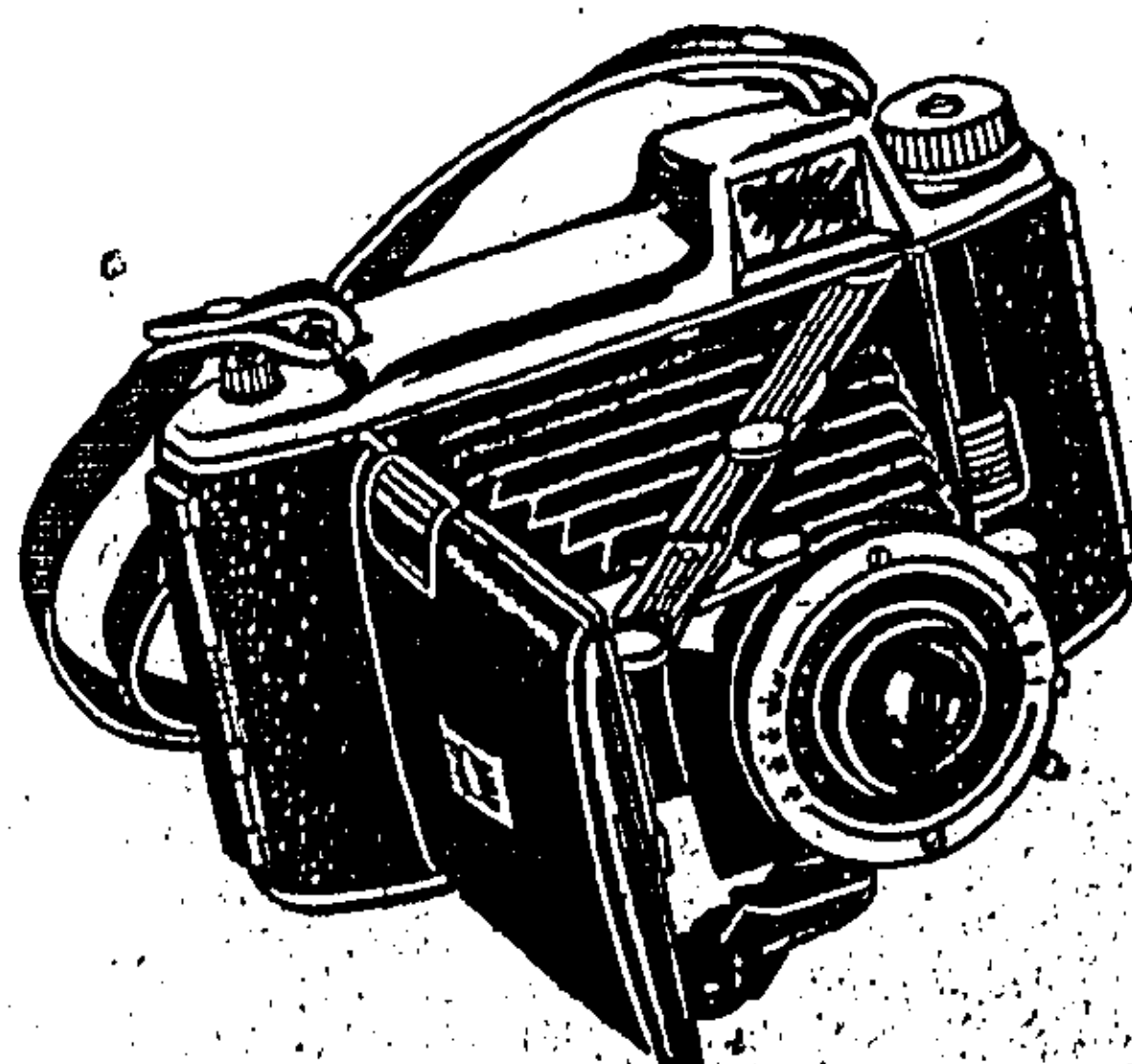
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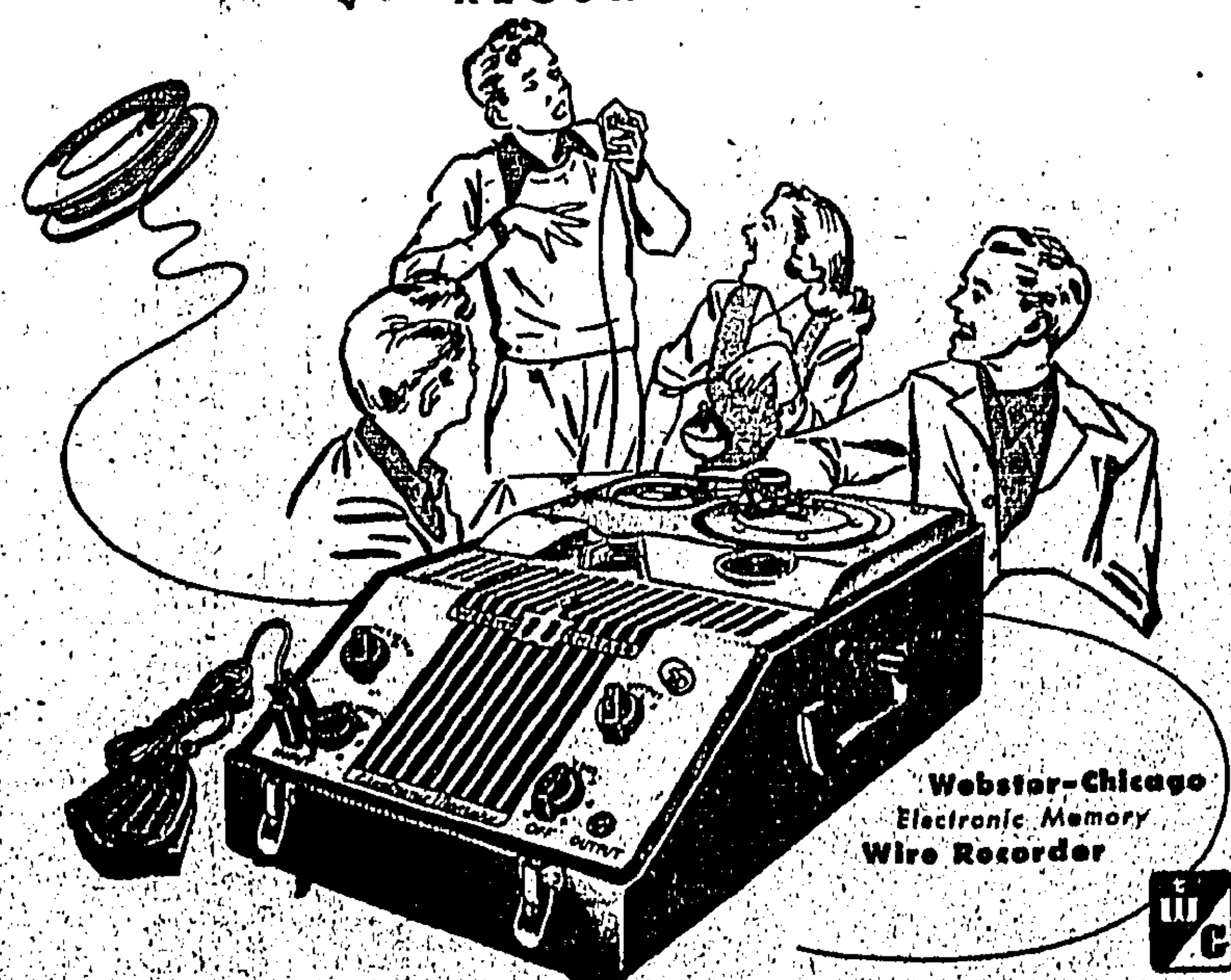
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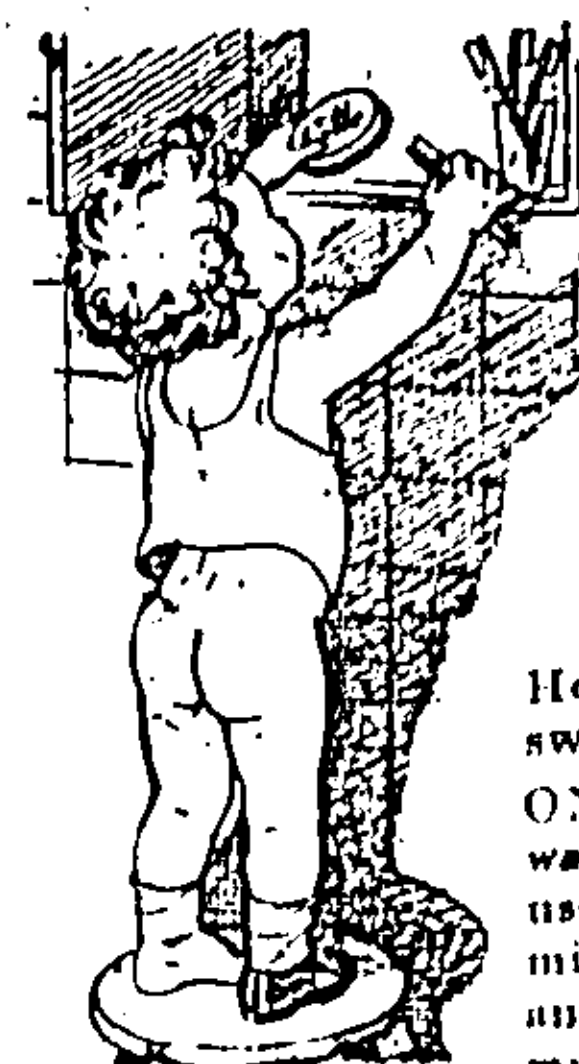
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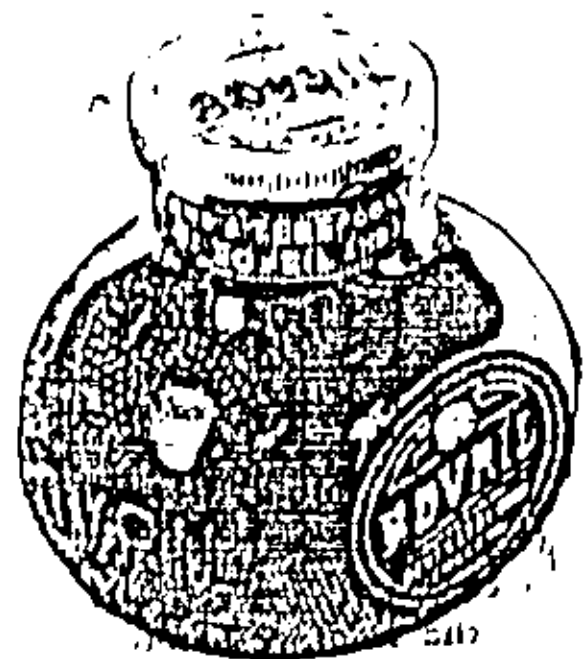


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WHAT GOES ON IN A NUDIST CAMP

By A Special Investigator

"I advise you to visit a nudist camp," the editor of a nudist magazine told me when I explained that I was looking into the organisation, purposes, and implications of the nudist movement.

"You may feel that it is a bit of a shock to visit a nudist camp," he said. "The first club I ever visited was in North Devon, and I remember that I went through agonies of apprehension on my way down there. But after half an hour in such company, among normal people enjoying themselves in a perfectly normal way, I was entirely at ease. You'll find the same."

Certainly I would need to visit a camp. I had already collected a great deal of information as to the growth, objects, and organisation of the nudist movement in Britain.

It had surprised me that there were 90 clubs dotted across the countryside, and that, according to the estimate of one of the leaders of the movement, there were 50,000 practising nudists in Britain, or one to every 1,000 of the population.

Have Homes There

What sort of people join these camps? What do they do? What is the effect of this sort of existence on those who follow it? All pertinent questions, these—but not to be answered except by meeting nudists themselves, in their own environment.

I decided on a visit to Spilplatz, a large colony between Watford and St. Albans, one of the oldest of its type in the country and the largest in Europe. Its advertisements show naked men and women playing tennis and invite the reader to "get health and joy the nudist way."

On approaching the camp (the number is given in the advertisement) and explaining the purpose of my inquiry I was told a visit from me would be "most welcome."

This particular camp covers 14 acres of woodland and clearings at Brickett Wood, between Watford and St. Albans.

It is a limited liability company, run for profit, and is under the sole control of the Warden, a 64-year-old Scotman, Charles Macaskie. He is also the chief shareholder.

It is not so much a nudist camp as a nudist village, since many families and individuals live there during the summer season or all the year round, living in homes which they have bought, rented, or built themselves. Complete nudity at this camp is compulsory and "slips, underwear, and all similarly sug-

gestive dappery are barred." In bad weather visitors may dress, but must do so completely.

Windmill Landmark

To reach the camp I travelled for 30 minutes from Euston, hired a car for a 15-minute drive and then walked for 15 minutes down a secluded country lane until I recognised a tall windmill, by which the camp can be distinguished.

There was an opening in the tall hedges, facing a gatehouse marked "Inquiries," and entering this I addressed myself to a woman receptionist, who sat behind the desk.

"Will you sign here, please?" she asked, with a pleasant smile and without the faintest trace of self-consciousness. She handed me a green form on which I was required to write my name, address, occupation, nationality, and accept the conditions printed on the other side.

Warden Decides

These were brief and to the point. Applications for entry would be dealt with solely at the discretion of the Warden, who could accept or suspend it without notice and without assigning a reason. Visitors must conduct themselves "in a quiet and orderly manner." Documentary evidence of identity is not insisted upon.

We left the gatehouse and walked into a road that runs through the camp, with high hedges, tall trees, and occasional gaps leading to wooden huts or smaller pathways.

The receptionist, Mrs. Rosalie Searle, who has lived at the camp for 10 years, and works also as a physical culturist and artist's model, went to fetch the Warden, Charles Macaskie, from his house hidden in the thicket, while I waited outside a hut that served as an office.

Presently Charles Macaskie, with tousled grey hair and paternal beard, came striding towards me.

He invited me to disrobe, but when I demurred did not press the point. "You'll be hot," he said laconically—true enough, for the sun was sweltering. He spoke frankly, and with obvious sincerity, of his beliefs and way of life. Normally a clothed visitor is not allowed to wander about, but nobody interfered with me.

Sites For Campers

Born in Edinburgh and trained as an electrical engineer, Mr. Macaskie had, always, been interested in nudism. "It was with me an ingrained instinct, a distaste for clothes, an animal delight in running about naked. When the nudist movement took body in Britain just after the first world war I joined the first organised nudist camp in the country."

"Later, in 1930, I bought some land here so that I could sunbathe freely and have my friends to keep me company. It was an ideal spot, secluded yet accessible, with natural trees and hedges making screens unnecessary."

"Meanwhile, I had got married, and my wife and I decided to live

here permanently. As soon as we came friends of mine rented plots and started little groups of their own, which later broke away as independent clubs and are still flourishing."

The nudist camp has been growing ever since. Many erected chalets which they, their families, or their friends occupied during week-ends, but during the war people began to live there permanently.

"Many found that they enjoyed living in hedges so much that they had no desire to revert to their old way of living and wanted to stay here after the war. More and more people asked if they could put up bungalows here, in the clearings of their own. Now we have 30 families permanently residing here—over 100 people."

The only way to get a bungalow here now is to buy one from an outgoing tenant for £200 to £400, he told me.

Apart from these permanent residences there are numerous sites where campers may pitch their tents for a night or more, single and double chalets which may be hired for the night, for longer, or for the season, and dormitories to accommodate overnight visitors of the same sex.

Cabins cost from 7s. 6d. to 10s. a day, or 24s. for a full board residence. There are also entrance charges to be paid, entitling the visitor to come into the camp but not to stay overnight. These vary from 7s. 6d. for a single day, visit for a man to 21s. for 30 days, and from 14s. a day for a woman and 16s. for 30 days. It will be seen that entrance charges for men are almost twice those for women.

There are no formalities attaching to entrance to the camp, beyond the signing of the form. "We take it for granted," Mr. Macaskie told me, "that they are ordinary decent people who are attracted to nudism. Some clubs have lots of regulations, but we don't attempt any regimentation here. We have here a proportion of about three men to one woman. Many clubs bar single men, but we don't."

Many Visitors

The people at this camp can have their own privacy or mix with the others in the semi-public places such as the swimming pool, the open clearings, the fields where sports such as tennis and badminton are played, and the restaurant, where naked customers are served by naked waitresses.

At the height of the season—and because of the sunshine—1949 has been a phenomenal year for the nudist movement—300 to 400 visitors on a Sunday is not unusual.

What sort of people stay in the camp? The visitors include about 20 per cent. of professional people, including, so I was told, six dental surgeons and four ministers of religions, one of whom visits regularly with his family of six. The rest are mostly upper middle-class, shopkeepers or men who own small businesses.

I wandered round the camp, unimpeded to see how things were in their houses or on their private plots were spending their time. There were groups of nude people everywhere, some swimming in the pool, others

playing games, some sunbathing, others lying about and reading.

Superbly Healthy

They mixed regardless of age or sex. I saw toddlers and elderly gentlemen of 70. Among them were Macaskie's two daughters, 17-year-old Janet and 13-year-old Cosette, both of whom were born there and have always lived among nudists.

In the restaurant groups of nude people sat at tables inside or on the open terrace, and were served with refreshments by nude waitresses.

Peter Slamm Scott-Darling, aged 60, who acts as staff manager and has been a nudist most of his life, told me that the overnight accommodation, for about 40, is usually filled to capacity, and they need more; but there is plenty of room for campers.

"Families," he explained, "are drawn to this kind of life because it has an infinite value on the mind of the child. Mere sexual curiosity does not exist for them, because the body in itself is not a novelty but something they are quite accustomed to. When they reach the difficult age of puberty many of the conflicts and dilemmas which children experience are unknown to them. They are self-respecting, self-reliant, and superbly healthy."

'Perfect Peace'

I asked what safeguards there were against the admission of people whose motives were improper. "We use our discretion," he told me, "and have been dealing with people long enough to recognise the sort we don't want here. In such a case we politely refuse admission or ask the visitor to leave."

"But I can only think of one or two cases in which that has been necessary. The possibility of undesirable being admitted here is no greater—and probably less—than in any ordinary hotel or organisation of any type."

The chalets for hire are of almost Spartan simplicity—simple wooden huts with beds and a few blankets or sheets. But many of the houses built by residents for themselves are models of neatness and house-pride industry.

I asked one lady resident why she chose the life. "Because," she explained, "there is perfect peace and happiness here. Nudists are the friendliest and most natural people in the world, and there's a comradeship here which doesn't exist in the outside world; and they are probably the most moral. Nudists consider promiscuity and puritanism immature and distasteful—the result of inhibitions induced by wearing too much clothing."

I met a well-known British film star who rents a chalet which he uses for week-ends. He asked me not to mention his name, "not because I'm ashamed of nudism; but because I wouldn't wish to shock people who do not share my beliefs." He spends most of his week-ends in the camp. "I like this life," he said, "because you drop all your worries with your clothes. You just feel free—and it's extremely healthy, too."

All At Ease

What were my general impressions of this community? If one were reconciled to nudity as being a

Power To Feed Water To A Dry Continent

By ARTHUR MORLEY

For the first time since British people came to Australia—a century and a half ago—a great attempt is now being made to tame the mountains and dry interior "out-back" lands.

At least, more than 7,000,000 people have crowded into the arid, desolate, fringing with watered and fertile bit of limited area. They have now begun to exploit the resources of mountains and plains in the hope of maintaining food and other exports to Britain and the world.

The first great scheme to achieve this broad aim is the Snowy River Irrigation and hydro-electric plan—an immense conception by any standards. And it is worthy of note that the engineers are being "imported" to help carry the scheme through.

The Snowy River scheme will involve part of the answer to Australia's greatest problem—lack of water. The inland two-thirds of the continent (about 2,000,000 square miles) does not receive enough natural rainfall to support commercial agriculture. Furthermore, there are no large rivers to be dammed for irrigation.

The greatest engineering brain of Britain and Australia have considered this problem for generations, and have proposed some remarkable remedies. These are nearly all concerned with taming the short and rapid rivers that arise in the Eastern coastal mountains and rush down to the sea.

House Problem

During their long examination of various possibilities, engineers have paid particular attention to the network of rivers in the Australian Alps, in the south-east corner of Australia. These are the Snowy, Tumut, Tooma, Murrumbidgee and Murray Rivers—all flowing through country as wild as the Scottish Highlands.

This is the site of the Snowy River scheme, now being undertaken by the Federal Government, in collaboration with the State Governments of Victoria and New South Wales. It will strain the resources of even the three governments.

The cost will be at least £200,000,000, which is a comparative population of about equal to £1,300,000,000 scheme in the United Kingdom. The Snowy scheme will cost half as much as all the public works undertaken in New South Wales for a century.

Seven huge dams will be built to control waters received in a catchment area of 2,000 square miles beginning this month. At this work would be difficult even in the closely-settled British Isles. But in the Australian Alps area, it is prodigious. Communications are poor, there are no local industries, few townships and fewer amenities. Prefabricated homes have to be taken to the site to house workmen. Hospitals and schools have to be provided; so does food, clothing, and amusements.

Then there is the difficulty of manpower and materials. Con-

crete and machinery is being imported all the way from Britain. Many of the workmen, according to Government sources, will be brought all the way from the United Kingdom and Europe—because Australians "cannot stand the extreme cold of the Alps winter. Workers are being recruited now."

The Tumut River scheme is first on the list. When completed, in six years it is hoped, work will be pushed ahead on the other rivers of the area—the Tooma, Murrumbidgee and Murray. The total electric output when all these have been harnessed will be at least 1,750,000 k.w., which will be of incalculable benefit to Australia.

It probably will be 20 years before the last brick is laid and the last dam tightened, and the completed scheme will be the greatest of £300,000,000. But this should be worth many times this.

British scientists are already investigating establishment of strategic factories and aluminium and other light-metal plants in the inaccessible Alps region. A great deal of power will be generated, and about 250 miles to Sydney and about 250 miles to Melbourne. It can be distributed at half the cost of the present coal-produced electricity.

It is hoped, also, to take the power North West into out-back New South Wales, to help create large inland industrial and commercial centres.

More People

Authorities believe that the sale of electricity will defray the cost of the whole undertaking—and that the increased production from irrigation will therefore be pure gain.

The greatest benefit of all, however, was made clear this week in an official Government statement from Canberra:

"The Federal Government believe that the completed Snowy scheme will be one of the greatest single factors enabling the country to carry a much larger population."

In other words, it will help Australia achieve quickly the 20,000,000 population she believes necessary to economic stability and strategic safety.



"Not likely—the Government played about with these things and lost about £20 million!"

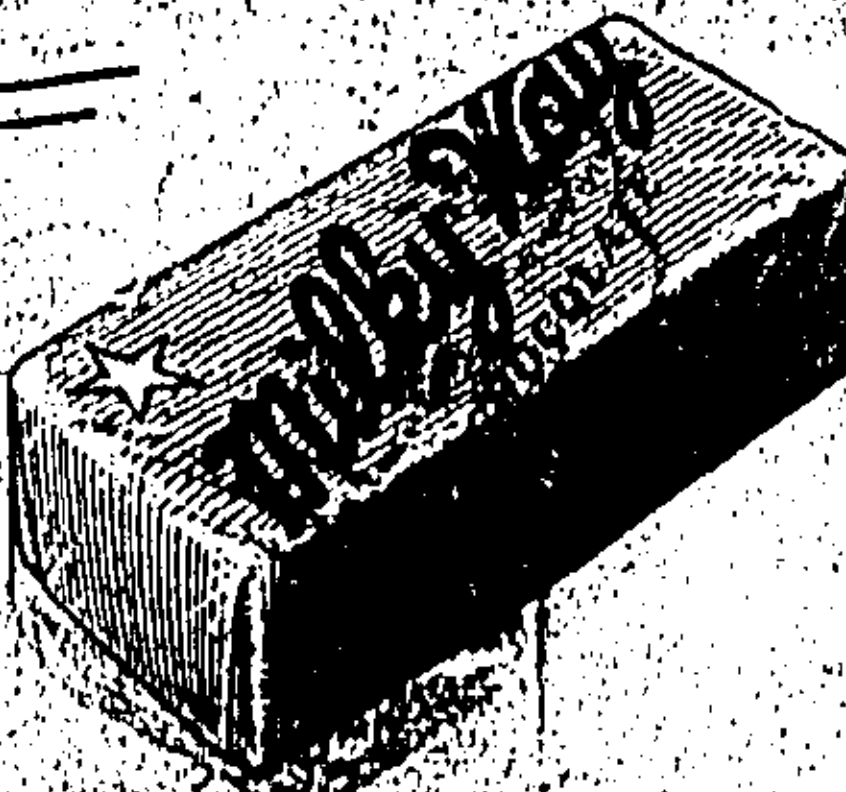
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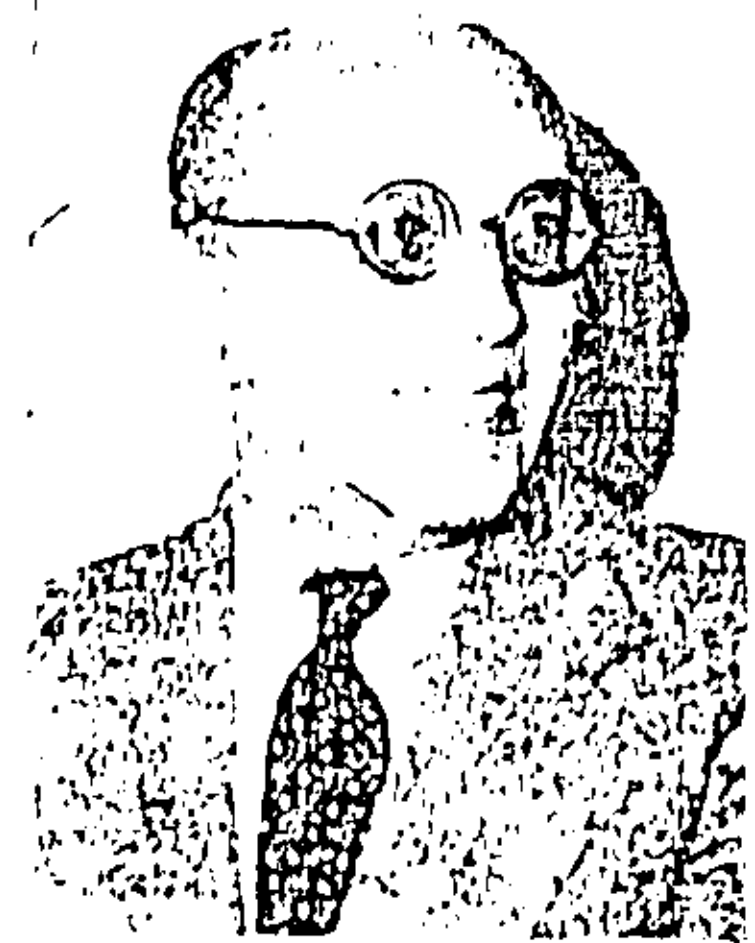
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Shangri-La Exists,
Traveller Says

Nestling in a fold of mountains clothed in eternal snow, the garden-like valley of Likiang, in Yunnan, is the nearest approach to the idyllic spot, Shangri-La, described by James Hilton in his book "Lost Horizon."

"In fact," Mr. Peter Goullart told me yesterday, "Likiang is Shangri-La."

In Hong Kong for a short period before going to America, Mr. Goullart, Depot Master of the



MR. PETER GOULLART

Chinese Industrial Cooperative Union of the many chambers from other parts of China has won to her side.

Interviewed Mr. Goullart, it was clear that he had a deep knowledge of the country and its people.

Out of the high mountain ranges from the rest of the world with only a narrow trail leading to it, the city of the most beautiful in the world is situated in a valley of eternal snow.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

By The SCRIBE

Billy shuns the subject, but will admit after much interrogation kangaroos make excellent boxing opponents.

In Hong Kong for the time being, Billy Tingle believes that the physical training aspects of education have been sadly neglected here.

"I believe," he says, "that gymnastics and physical development are just as important as mathematics and literature."

He has been approached by many schools and institutions for advice, but has declined to be identified with any one of them in particular.

British Socialism, The Great Educator

British socialism may be the butt of many rude remarks across the Atlantic and within the British Isles but it has diffused more education among the British people in the last few years than any other regime within the same time limit.

Miss Margaret Knight, Secretary of the Victoria League and South China Division Association, told me this when I visited her the other day.

She said more English people are now able to distinguish between good literature and bad music, good pictures and bad pictures than at any time before.

Socialism in the broad sweep of its operation has certainly reduced its most things to a common denominator, but its converse effect of a more widespread diffusion of the fruits of education is nevertheless profoundly apparent.

Miss Knight is on a visit to Hong Kong and the Dorese as a guest of the School to see the work that is being done in the various schools.

Asked for her impressions, Miss Knight and Hong Kong has



MISS MARGARET KNIGHT

many satisfying qualities in the international character of its population.

She thinks the standard of education here is very high, and the manner of the people one bumps across in the street "really very cheerful."

Canon H. W. Baines, now the Bishop of Singapore, was for many years a co-secretary of the Diocese, and worked in collaboration with Miss Knight.

The Diocese was founded in 1920 by the Rt. Reverend Bishop C.R. Duppuy.

Three well-known Shanghai journalists are arriving in the Colony over the week-end in practically the last exodus of

newspapermen remaining in the Northern port. They are—

Mr. Fred Hampson, for many years chief of the Associated Press bureau in Shanghai, who left the Communist-occupied city on the Liberator liner Sir John Franklin two weeks ago and is coming here via Japan.

Mr. Woo Kyo-tang, formerly Executive editor of the "Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury," who is passing through Hong Kong for Singapore where he will edit a new publication, and

Mr. K.S. Chang, formerly managing editor of the "China Press," who is coming down to become assistant editor of the "Hong Kong Standard."

Both Mr. Hampson and Mr. Chang were in Shanghai when the Communists entered on May 25. Mr. Woo caught one of the last planes for Tokyo.

Fred and "K.S." operated in their respective spheres until labour troubles precipitated the closure of the "Evening Post," and formation of the Peking regime induced the Communists to forbid transmission of news pending recognition, which in effect closed the Associated Press agency.

K.S. is leaving behind a family of seven daughters, whom he will bring down later. Fred is heading for a long holiday spell in the United States.

Both have pronounced views on the Communist occupation and plan to publish them soon.

Reuters' Enterprise

Talking about newsmen, I understood Mr. Bill O'Neill, Reuters' manager in the Far East, has been in touch with Mr. Thomas Aldinger, the Reuters man in Shanghai, to stay put on the job and not to join the cavalcade out of the North.

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The most expensive picture on view this year was "Summer Morning," by Mr. Lee Byng, priced at \$1,500.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Becker commemorated their silver wedding anniversary on Thursday night.

They celebrated the occasion with a Chinese dinner party at St. Andrew's Church Hall, More



MR. VIC GARTON

than 100 friends of the couple attended the party.

Educated at the Deesman Boys' School, Mr. Becker was on the editorial staff of the former "Hong Kong Daily Press" before the war. Shortly following the end of the war he joined the "China Mail." At present he is with a solicitor's firm, P. L. Lam.

The Beckers have four sons and two daughters.

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Inside Information

By MERCURY

Expect Stalin to make Marshal Malinovsky C-in-C of the Bulgarian Army.

America will hand over to Britain before Christmas vital information on Atom bomb manufacture.

Paul Hoffman, Marshall Aid Administrator, will resign next June with the assent of President Truman.

The U.S. wants Britain to buy 65,000,000 lb. of dried eggs unwanted by American housewives.

The gold rush in the Orange Free State last June, when shares rocketed for a few days, will be the subject of criminal proceedings by the South African Government.

Allied shipping industries will protest to their governments at the scope for shipbuilding given to Germany in the Petersberg agreement.

Expect the Cominform to stir up trouble in Cyprus, Britain's growing Mediterranean base.

Russia is trying to raise an international bridge team.

Soviet heavy tanks are mounting a German pattern special beam night light.

Mr. Bevin is pressing Sir Stafford Cripps to make concessions on terms of credit so that the Anglo-Yugoslav trade agreement may be speedily signed.

France still reserves her right to enlist Germans in the Foreign Legion, and no Allied agreement forbids the foreign enlistment of Germans.

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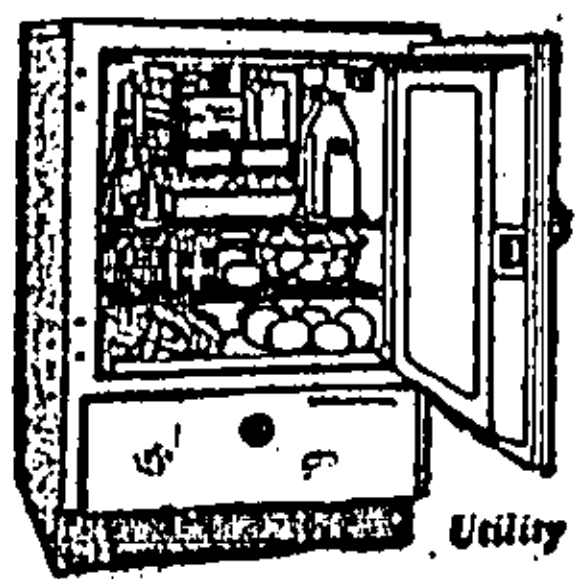
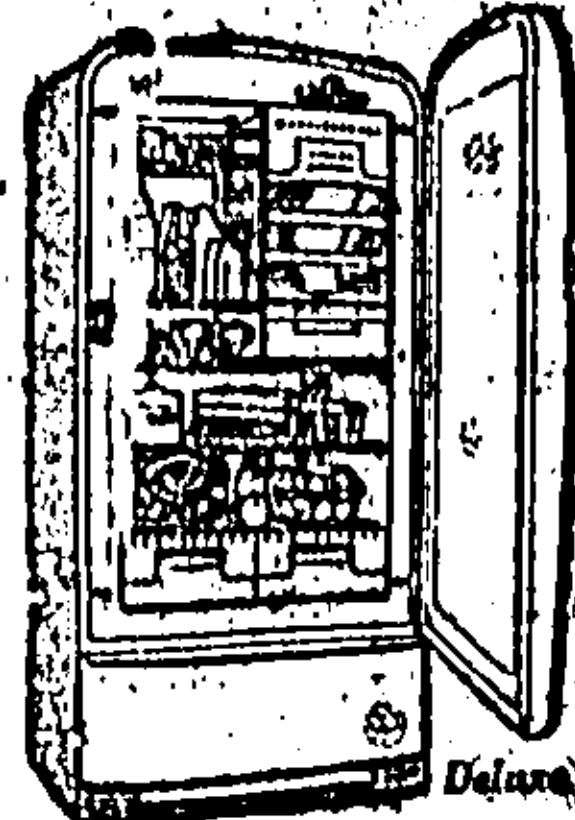
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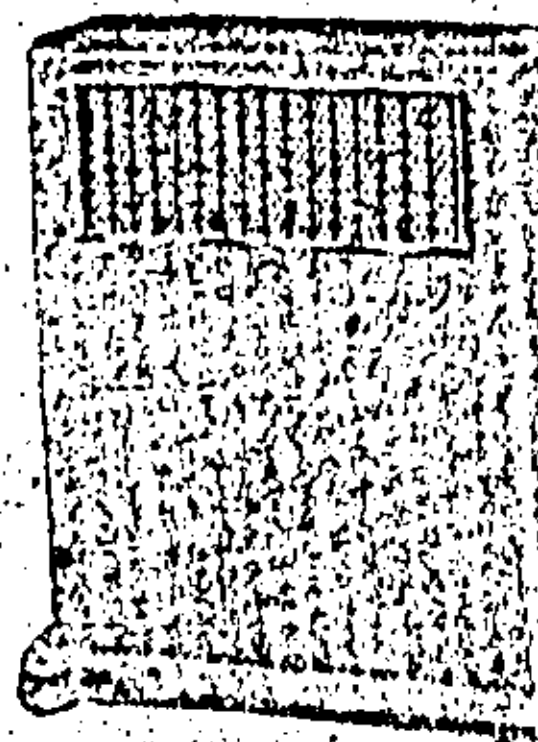
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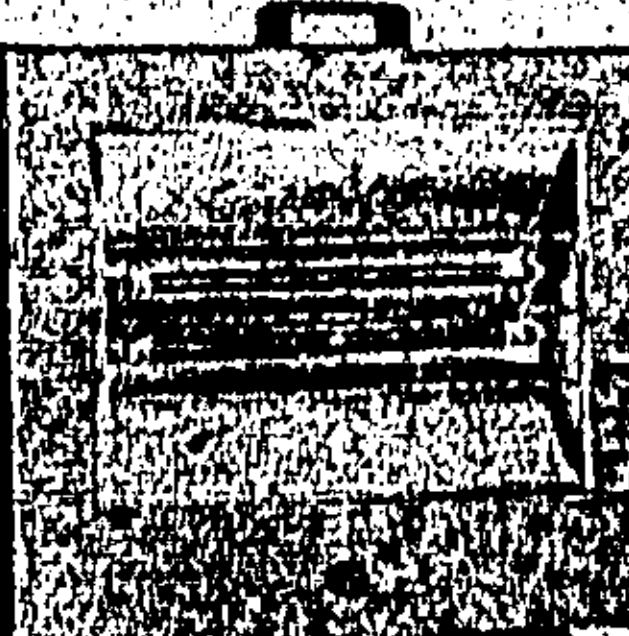
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Red Recognition

It is almost certain that Britain will accord full diplomatic recognition to China's Communist regime before the Ceylon meeting of Commonwealth Ministers on January 9, and possibly before the end of the year.

Weeks of exchanges between London and the Commonwealth and Atlantic Union capitals have confirmed Whitehall's view that as recognition sooner or later is inevitable, it would be preferable not to delay it too long in view of our trade interests in China.

It is expected that India will act first in exchanging representations with Mao Tse-tung, probably this month, and that the other Dominions will follow suit about the same time as Britain. Sir Ralph Stevenson, Britain's Ambassador to Nationalist China, who returned home recently for consultations, will not go back to his post. Until recognition is extended and a new envoy is sent out, Britain's Chinese Embassy will be left in the hands of a chargé d'affaires.

U.S. Aid In Far East

From usually dependable sources I learn that when Mr. Atlee received Mr. Louis Johnson, the U.S. Defence Minister recently, he raised the question of American help in meeting the commitments in Hong Kong and Malaya.

I am told that the Premier called not for American troops, but for material aid to relieve the financial burden which the maintenance of these two bastions against Communism places on Britain, whose annual defence expenditure of over £800,000,000 is proportionately greater than that of any of her democratic partners.

Mr. Johnson made it clear to Mr. Atlee that the U.S. would interpret the bilateral agreement between Britain and the U.S. setting out terms under which American arms aid to this country will be supplied to keep the balance of power in such a way as to enable some of the aid to be used in Hong Kong and Malaya.

Military experts here, taking into account the pressure Red China is likely to exert, consider that it will be necessary to keep large forces in Hong Kong and Malaya for at least three years.

Anglo-Canadian Trade

A frank review of Anglo-Canadian trade difficulties will be undertaken, take place at a conference to be held in London this month or early in January.

Mr. James Gardiner, the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion, and her Trade Minister, Mr. Howe, are expected to cross the Atlantic for the talks at which they will meet Sir Stafford Cripps, Mr. Harold Wilson and Mr. John Strachey.

Arranged on Canada's initiative, the conference will aim at establishing the scale of British purchases of eggs, bacon, newsprint, timber, and wheat from the Dominion for several years to come.

Unless Canada is willing to accept large payments in sterling, the British Government's intention appears to be a big cut in most of these commodities, of which we are now drawing an increasing supply from the same non-dollar sources as before the war. At the same time wheat purchases from Canada now paid for in part by Marshall Aid dollars, would be maintained at their present level until American aid comes to an end in 1952.

Saddled with a serious dollar crisis of her own, to which her post-war assistance to Britain has contributed, Canada is believed to be anxious to clear up her trade problems with Britain as quickly as possible.

Air Training Scheme

During his recent visit to Ottawa, Field Marshal, Sir William Slim discussed with Lt.-Gen. Charles Foulkes, Canada's Army Chief of Staff and other Dominion



Service chiefs, the role that the Dominion is to play as the principal Atlantic Pact training area.

Sir William and his Canadian colleagues are understood to have sketched a plan to revive and expand the war-time Empire Air Training Scheme, which carried out in Canada. Specialist troops and aircrews from Britain will, as a result, undergo intensive training in the Dominion. I gather that it is hoped to have the plan in full working order by next summer.

Exchanges are now in progress between British, Canadian, American, French and other Atlantic Powers defence leaders on measures to extend the scheme to all the Allied countries.

This will involve the recall to active duty of a number of RCAF officers who belonged to the original war-time training organisation.

Change In New Zealand

New Zealand's new Conservative Government intends, I hear, to appoint only career diplomats as its future High Commissioners in Commonwealth countries and as heads of diplomatic missions abroad.

This decision reverses the Socialist practice of giving many of these plum jobs to politicians. It will mean a considerable expansion of New Zealand's Permanent Foreign Service. It will not, however, affect Mr. W. J. Jordan, the present High Commissioner in London.

Big bluff, ex-policeman, Bill Jordan has been here since 1936, when he was appointed by Mr. W. Savage, then Socialist Premier. He is immensely popular among Britons and New Zealanders of all parties, and I am told at New Zealand House that he will almost certainly remain in London until his term of office ends early in 1951.

My Holland, the new Premier, is expected to appoint a full-time Minister of External Affairs. Mr. Fraser, his predecessor, combined the job with the Premiership.

Trouble Spot

Whitehall is generally well satisfied with the "protocol" just signed between the Western Powers and the German Government, but some observers expect trouble over the Hermann Goerring steel works, near Hanover, which were not repleved from dismantling.

Chancellor Adenauer made a special reference to the fate of this huge plant—among the most modern in Europe—in his speech to the German Chamber at Bonn. The explanation of the Allied demand for the removal of electrical furnaces from some of the German steel works is that these were used in steel-hardening processes, especially for making gun-barrels.

The bigger scope granted Germany in shipbuilding is causing little apprehension here, as the new construction will be largely refrigeration vessels and there will be safeguarding restrictions on design.

Turkey Guard

Christmas is drawing near, and in this particular sector of Merrie England plans are afoot which—if not particularly indicative of the peaceful spirit of the festival, we are soon to celebrate—are wonderfully in keeping with armed peace we maintain in its stead.

Farms near here that go in for large-scale turkey rearing have the look of Home Guard battle headquarters. After last year's raids by the "gentlemen from the towns," mock-up land mines, con-

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sisting of railway fog-signals and blank cartridges, have been sown round the turkey houses, and one big breeder is employing a staff of 12 men with shotguns as a standing patrol.

No one who has more than a nodding acquaintance with the more adventurous type of London "spiv" sees anything elaborate in these arrangements. Those with sufficient audacity to organise a smash-and-grab in Piccadilly are not likely to consider a raid on a lonely farm beyond them; and despite the Food Minister's promises of ample turkey these gangsters know their spoils on the black market will amply reward them.

Royal Show

Loans from the King and Queen have made a rich contribution to an exhibition of landscapes in French art over three-and-a-half-centuries, which has opened a three-month season at the Royal Academy.

"Europe" by the 17th century painter Claude Lorraine, is the gem of the seven paintings—four of the Claude's—from the Royal collection. From Windsor Castle has also come a large number of drawings.

From her private collection the Queen has sent "Landscape with a Rock" by the 18th century impressionist, Monet.

Altogether, about 620 paintings, drawings, engravings and tapestries, all depicting open-air scenes on land or sea will be on view in this magnificent exhibition which has been assembled in about equal parts from Britain and France.

And Royal Portraits

Royal portraits in recent years have too often fallen below in artistic merit the historical interest attaching to such works.

There have been several explanations for this fact, one being the conservatism shown in choosing the painter, and another, the exceptional restraint the artist so honoured has felt imposed upon his brush.

It can be said however, that Sir Oswald Birley, in his portrait of Princess Elizabeth now at the Royal Institute Galleries, has achieved a very striking success. It presents the Princess in her Garter robes, delightfully and easily posed and, her youthful features framed in her dark locks and surmounted by a splendid cavalier hat with white plumes giving an impression of truly regal panache.

Sir Oswald's portrait of the Duke no doubt because of sartorial limitations, is less impressive though competently effective.

On this canvas we have our future Queen portrayed with an elegance and vitality that make it eligible for any historic gallery alongside patrician portraits by great masters of the past.

U.S. Memorial

The memorial chapel commemorating all American troops who lost their lives in the European sector of the last World War will be a worthy and historic addition to St. Paul's vast cathedral on Ludgate-hill.

Already over £100,000 has been raised towards this chapel in this country, and it is gratifying to know that mostly it has come in small subscriptions from British families with whom Uncle Sam's stalwart G.I.s and their comrades of the sea and air forces were personally associated.

The proposal was first mooted, towards the close of the war, by Air-marshal Lord Trenchard to Gen. Eisenhower and Gen. Carl Spaatz. The plan is to construct the chapel in strict architectural accordance with the general design of Wren's famous masterpiece.

Thus will be avoided that overcrowding and cramping effect which does so much to detract from the interior aspect of the Abbey.

The chapel will contain a roll of 28,000 names. General Eisenhower has helped in collecting them.

She's Champion

Thirty-nine-year-old Miss Eileen Trauner is preparing to lay down the chess, which she plays in the Sadler's Wells orchestra, to travel to Moscow to pit her skill in chess against the world's most talented women players.

Miss Trauner, who won the British Women's Championship in 1947 and again this year, helped to perfect her chess playing during the waits for orchestra rehearsals to begin. She still finds time to give her fellow musicians a game.

Sadler's Wells has given Miss Trauner every encouragement to collect chess honours for Britain. Recently she was allowed to go to Barcelona, where she tied with a French girl for the Women's Championship of Europe. Russia did not compete.

In the Moscow tournament she will compete against players from America, France, Holland, Germany, and other countries. The most formidable challenge is likely to come from the Russians themselves, among whom the game has long had the status of a national game.

World-Wide "School"

A retired solicitor of 80, a 16-year-old schoolboy, many Parliamentary candidates, two peers, women candidates in Malaya, and a merchant marine doctor are some of the "pupils" taking the Conservative Political Centre's postal study-course which is making enrolments at the rate of about a dozen a week.

Launched last June, the course—"Economics for Today"—is going out to a world-wide "class" of more than 400.

The lessons are designed for any kind of party worker, from the intending specialist to the man or woman who wishes to follow the news with fuller understanding. A second course is now in preparation for use after the General Election.

Not So Sticky

One effect of devaluation has been to open the dollar market wide to British exports of stamps. A leading authority here, with world-wide trade connections, tells me that sales across the Atlantic "have increased phenomenally—by several hundred per cent."

Previously, with the £ sterling at about four dollars, American which claims up to three million stamp collectors—was unwilling to pay British prices. A complicated "barter" trade which developed assumed a value of about 2.75 or 2.80 dollars to the £.

Police Psychologist

Though they are spared the ordeal of listening to the debates, policemen on duty at the Houses of Parliament must occasionally get a trifle bored.

I was talking to one of them the other day, and was interested to discover him as a keen disciple of the immortal Mr. Sherlock Holmes and a shrewd psychologist. He could be told me, indubitably tell to what political allegiance any party of visitors belonged who were being shown round the rambling old Palace of Westminster, even without recognising the M.P. who was personally conducting them.

I asked how he could do that. "Well," he said, "if they look interested, and move about deferentially they are pretty sure to be Tories. If they look bored, stiff and lounge about with their hands in their pockets they are dead-cert Labourites!"

That, he explained, segregated the men. You could distinguish the women by their dress and their "hair-do."



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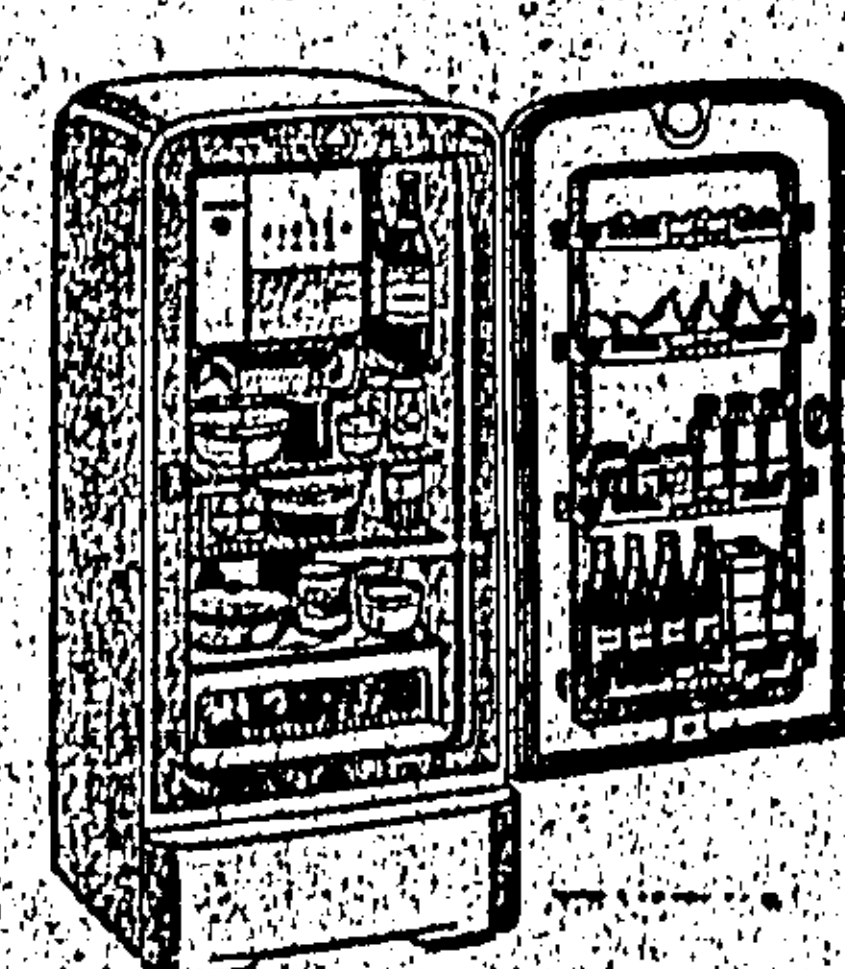
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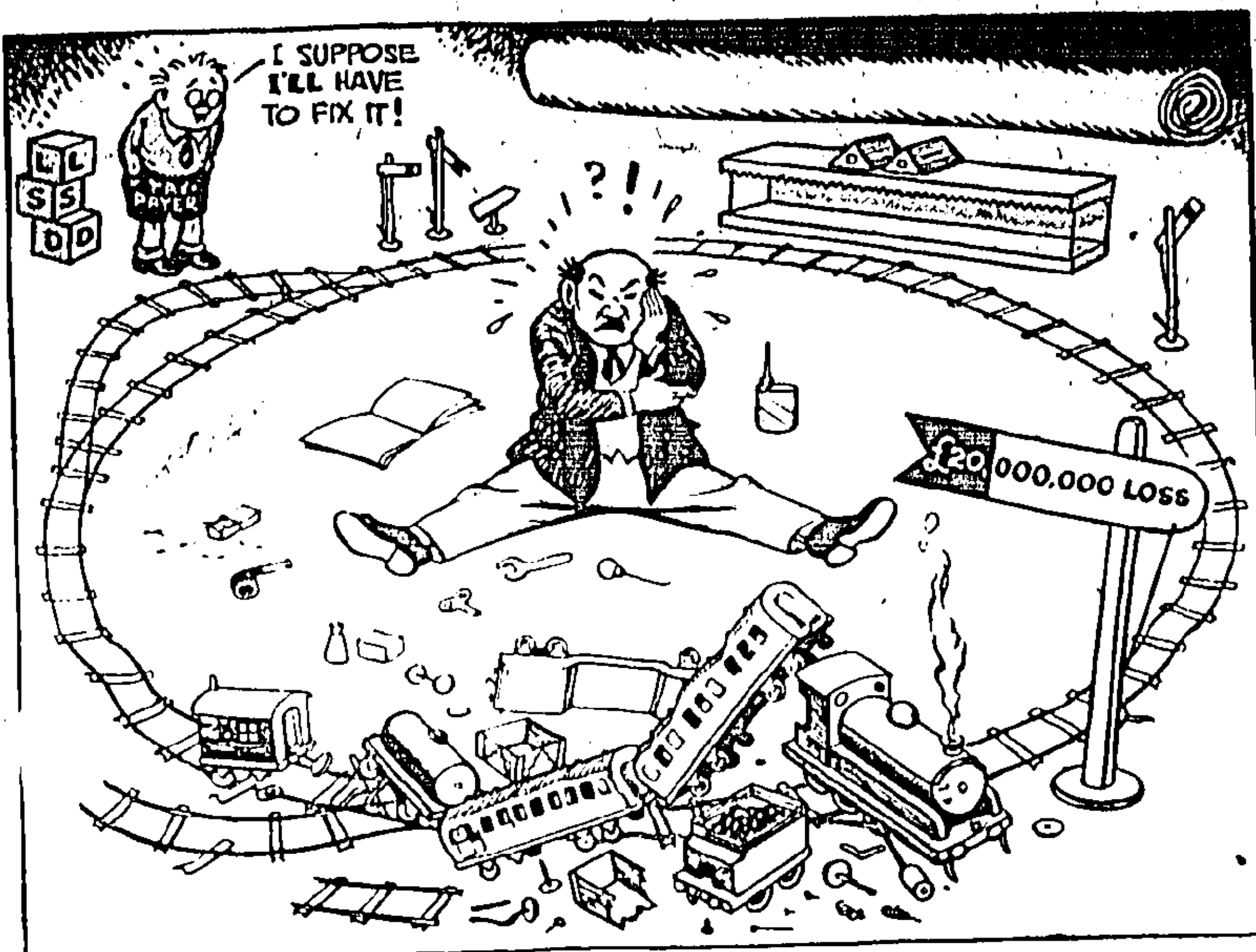
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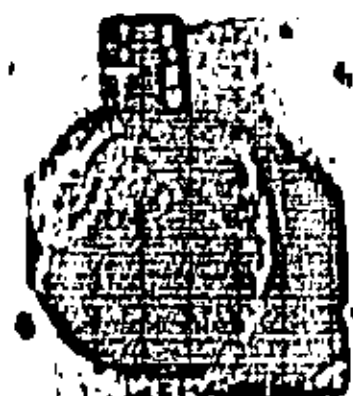
The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Sforza, in speaking of Eritrea, had used terms about Ethiopia which much resembled the accusations which the Italian Government made in 1944.

Mr Ato Akulou Habte Wolde, the Ethiopian Foreign Minister, said this here tonight when interviewed by Reuters.

Count Sforza is advised by ex-Fascists on colonial questions, the Ethiopian Foreign Minister alleged.

The example of a similar attack on the present Italian Government, he said, was a lesson to the Italian Government. He said that the Italian Government had been in the habit of accusing Ethiopia of various crimes, but that the Italian Government had now been accused of similar crimes.

Mr Habte Wolde continued that Count Sforza wished to divert world opinion against Ethiopia and in favour of Italy. A condition of the Italian Government's policy was to divert world opinion against Ethiopia and in favour of Italy.



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ISRAEL NEGOTIATING WITH TRANS-JORDAN

Haifa, December 16.

Israel-Transjordan negotiations for the settlement of outstanding questions which may lead to an eventual peace agreement are now taking place.

A most reliable and well-informed source said so today although denials of such negotiations have been issued.

The source said that it is expected that the negotiations may reach a satisfactory conclusion within a short time.

On the Jerusalem question, both sides who are the actual holders of the city, are in full agreement on its partition and against internationalisation. The present United Nations decision may hasten agreement between the two sides on other issues as well and lead to a final settlement in which the other Arab countries will later join, the source thought.

The outstanding points and differences in the Hashemite Jordan demands are stated to be rather large but in spite of this a compromise will probably be found.

Hashemite Jordan is asking for an outlet to the sea at Gaza and a road through the Israeli-held Negev, which will not receive Egypt's approval. Hashemite Jordan may demand another port to the North towards Gaza, perhaps the ancient city of Nejdah, which would then be built into a harbour.

Lebanon Next

But Israel's view is reported to be that free zone should be granted to Hashemite Jordan at Haifa harbour and to arrange for transport through Israeli territory to that of Jordan.

As in all other outstanding points, this will be only on the basis of a final peace settlement. Hashemite Jordan also demands a free road from the old city to Bethlehem through the Israeli-held main road, whilst Israel is asking for Mount Zion with the University and a road via Latrun.

These are the main outstanding points between the two sides, the informed source said, and they will be settled on the basis of a final peace. This would probably be followed by agreement with Lebanon which is waiting for the other Arab states.

BRITISH UNION LEADERS SACKED

London, December 16.

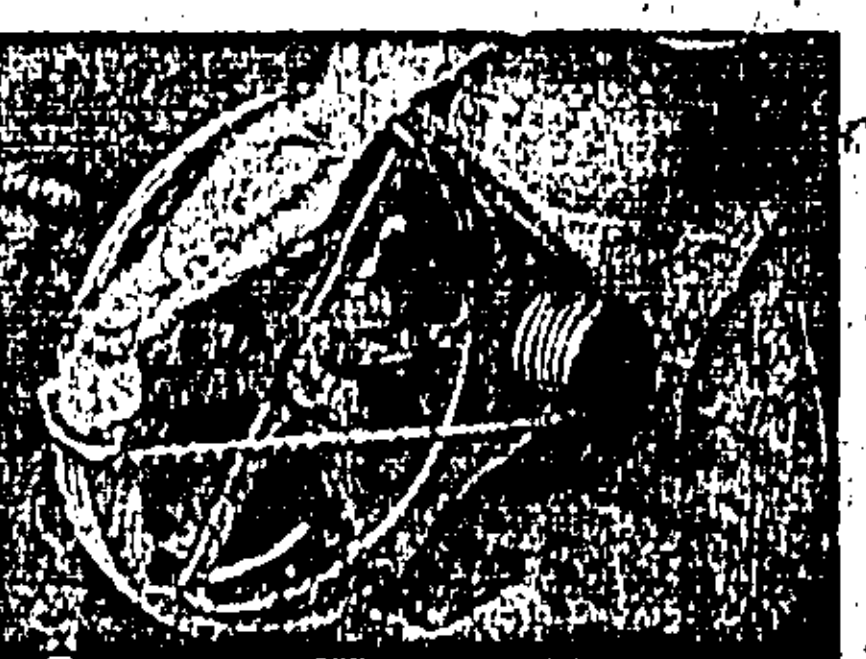
Nine full-time officials of the powerful British Transport and General Workers' Union—the biggest trade union in the world—have been dismissed for failing to declare that they were not members of the Communist or Fascist parties.

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Lake Success, December 16.

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He told a Press conference, "When I have completed my term of service as Secretary-General, I shall be very happy to have been able to serve the United Nations for five years, and I am not a candidate for re-appointment."

Mr. Lie said his hope that the East-West "cold war" was turning into a "cold peace" had apparently been too optimistic.

"We are still in the period of cold war," he said.

Mr. Lie said the recent Assembly session did a great deal of solid and constructive work.

He cited the decision on the former Italian colonies, the expanded programme of technical aid to the under-developed countries, the help to non-self-governing peoples and the plans for the relief and rehabilitation of refugees.

The Assembly's instruction to the six permanent members of the Atomic Energy Commission to explore all avenues of possible agreement on international control of atomic energy might in the long run be one of the most important things, the Assembly did, he said.

The Secretary-General is elected by the General Assembly, which next meets at Flushing Meadow in September, 1950—but the Charter requires that it act upon the recommendation of the Security Council.

Since the Council's nomination is subject to the veto, this means that Mr. Lie's successor must be acceptable to the United States, Britain, Russia, France and China.—Reuters.

JEWS REFUSE GERMAN INVITE

Haifa, December 16.

Invitations to Israel merchants to attend the Leipzig Fair have caused great surprise amongst businessmen in Haifa.

The Chamber of Commerce commented that no Israeli Jew would partake in the fair.

The invitations were sent by German institutions.—Associated Press.

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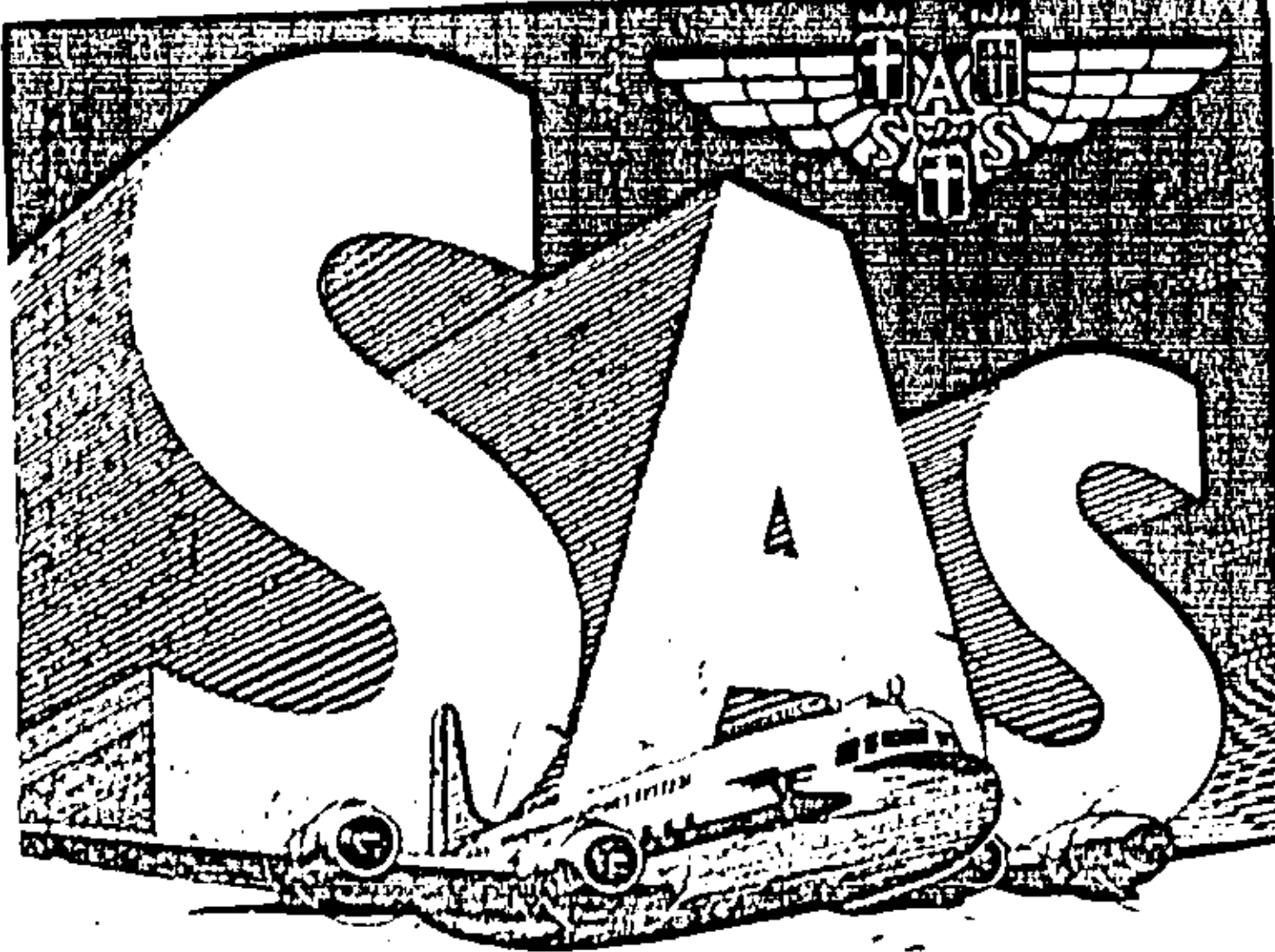
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MAO GOES TO MOSCOW

The cold war in the West has moved from Western Germany to the satellite States in Eastern Europe. That is quite a considerable movement. But there is much more in it than that. Moscow is now waging the cold war against her own Communist children. And there is more in that, too, than the old story of the Revolution devouring its own. It is a struggle of the new Russian Imperialism against the rising tide of national Communism. In this quarter, the Western Powers have ceased to be the principals in the cold war, though American diplomats are being dragged in on preposterous charges so as to force them out.

This is all very bad for the Kremlin morale and perhaps a topic for hushed gossip among the proletariat. Everything is going wrong for the Kremlin cause—everything except China. That was the purport of Mr. Vyshinsky's statement in Paris a few days ago. And so we find Chairman Mao Tse-tung in Moscow in the depth of winter. Nobody supposes that he made this long train journey for the sake of his health or for his own pleasure. And for our part we don't believe the visit was originally suggested by him. We feel pretty certain it was requested by Moscow.

It would have been difficult indeed to have refused just now. The Russians have a position inside Manchuria, and along the entire length of the Great Wall and beyond, far more dominating than the Tsarist regime ever held. The Chinese at the turn of the century could always turn to Japan or Britain for practical help when pressure from the North became too sharp. They could by the same token turn to the Russians for support if and when they were subjected to pressure from other quarters.

The Chinese have always felt happier in these circumstances than when they have but one card to play. That is precisely their position today. Nobody familiar with the traditions of Chinese diplomacy and the innate astuteness of the people will believe for a moment that they relish it.

But they have to recognise it until the Western Powers have recognised the new Government and buttressed that recognition with a dual-purpose security system—dual because it must firstly guard against misadventure and adventurism in any new approach to China, and secondly against undue pressure from the Russians upon the Chinese. The play is one not of guns but of wits, weight, and will. The West must bring these qualities to the table in full measure, for there is plenty of them on the other side of the Great Wall.

One of the dignitaries who met Mao Tse-tung on his arrival in Moscow was Marshal Bulganin, whose famous philippics and unveiled threats against Tito some months ago were designed as a grim warning to Communists everywhere who might be disobedient. His presence must have served as a reminder of that power of vengeance and disruption which we feel certain weighs heavily on the minds of every Chinese, Communist or not. Moscow has laid down the determining criterion of true proletarian internationalism. It holds that a patriot and internationalist is one who puts the interests of the Soviet State (as the fatherland of the world proletariat) first. The principle calls for "practical and maxi-

Under Sentence Of Death

By Sir FRANK MORGAN

We have now been told officially that the British Labour Party have decided that their proposal to convert industrial assurance into a public service should be implemented on the basis of mutual ownership.

The official announcement of what is, ostensibly, a modification of the original proposal goes on to indicate that the policyholders themselves will become the owners of the proprietary companies.

Unofficially we have been given to understand that the main reason for a change of policy in this matter is the opposition of the Co-operative movement, though it may be suspected that electoral calculation also played a certain part. These, however, are both political reasons, which might prove transitory.

In any event there may ultimately be little or no practical difference between implementing the proposal on the basis of the nominal ownership by the policyholders and implementing it on the basis of public ownership, which is nationalisation.

The public of all political parties should, therefore, be fully aware of the standing reasons, inherent in the nature of the problem, why nationalisation would be wrong at any time, or in any other political circumstances, whether achieved directly by public ownership or indirectly by State control superimposed on a nominal private ownership.

Dollars For Faith

British insurance is a very large source of foreign exchange, especially of hard currencies. Its net dollar earnings being not less than \$80 million a year. Its earning power is not affected by devaluation, it is an invisible export, which entails no raw materials, no shipping space, and relatively little manpower in the United Kingdom.

The proposal made seven months ago in "Labour Believes in Britain" was all the more damaging to confidence in that Sir Stafford Cripps, when President of the Board of Trade, had publicly stated on two occasions that the Government had no intention of interfering with enterprise as a private enterprise. Only eight months ago the Prime Minister himself stated in reply to a Parliamentary question that he had no intention of introducing legislation to nationalise industrial assurance.

The excuse has been made that it is industrial assurance alone which is threatened; but that is not the case. It is "all the indus-

trial assurance companies, the biggest being the Prudential and the Pearl, and the larger collecting societies as they stand."

These offices, between them, transact one-third of all the ordinary life business in this country. Two of them transact one-third of all the ordinary branch life business transacted by British offices overseas. A number of them also transact fire, accident and marine business, and two of them have branches or agencies for these classes of insurance in practically every country of the world.

Holders of British policies abroad would not and could not be expected to distinguish between one section of British insurance and the rest. They would be only too likely to assume, moreover, that if the offices immediately threatened were taken over by the State, it would be only a matter of time before the whole of British insurance was nationalised.

The Way To Save

At home the people, in the interests of the nation, are being constantly urged to save more. But, despite the devoted efforts of thousands of workers' savings groups, the voluntary savings movement is continuing to exceed new savings. For the period April-October, 1949, National Savings recorded a contraction—a "dis-saving"—of £42 million, and this unsatisfactory trend continues. The story of British life insurance, the most stable form of voluntary saving, is quite different. For instance, in 1948, life insurance in this country was responsible for the growth in the funds—of no less than £120 million, of which £45 million was derived from industrial assurance—and £20 million from the ordinary life business of the threatened industrial offices.

Most of those with long experience in the business believe that nationalisation would be the death of industrial assurance; and that, while it might be some time a-dying, there would be an immediate heavy and continuing fall in the premium income, and, therefore, in the funds.

A recent survey carried out by an independent organisation established the surprising fact that two out of every three people who hold industrial life policies have no other means of saving.

Today there are more than 100 million industrial life policies in force, assuring a sum of £2,300 million, with an annual premium income of £120 million and funds

amounting to £600 million. Field staffs numbering about 95,000 provide a complete home service, all transactions—including collection of premiums and payment of claims—being carried out in the home of the policyholder.

The Unions Say No

These 95,000 men and women between them call on nine out of ten working-class homes in the country each week. They enjoy satisfactory terms and conditions of employment, have reasonable prospects of advancement and good security with, in most cases, adequate pensions on retirement. About 40,000 of them belong to trade unions affiliated to the National Federation of Insurance Workers, which, at a recent conference, decided a large majority to oppose the threat of nationalisation on the grounds that nationalisation would not mean improvements in benefits to policyholders, that interference by the State, at this time, with the activities of any form of savings was to the detriment of the nation, and that the workers of the industry felt that under nationalisation incentives would go and book interest, a cherished possession of some sections of the workers, would no longer continue.

"The man from the Pru" or "the man from the Co-op" is known, trusted and welcomed by the people on whom he calls. But it would be a very different story if he became "The Official from the State Industrial Assurance."

As for the relations between office and policyholder, the continual growth in the business speaks for itself. Furthermore, for the past 20 years they have been regulated and supervised on behalf of the State by the Industrial Assurance Commissioner—a Treasury official with wide statutory powers.

There is the charge, of course, that the offices have made high profits. True enough, but in the case of the proprietary companies the bulk, and in the case of the mutual companies and friendly collecting societies the whole, of the profits goes to the policyholders in the form of bonus.

British insurance throughout its long history has never had any politics; it has none today. But unless something is done quickly to remove unequivocally and finally the potential threat which, though in a new guise, still faces it, sooner or later it will inevitably become the subject of a political wrangle.

That would do nothing but harm, which might well be irreparable. The question before the leaders of the Labour Party is not one of political expediency, but whether or not they put the nation first.

THE NEW CHINA

By The HON. MICHAEL LINDSAY

One of the reasons for the wide divergence of opinions about the new regime in China is that it does not fit into any of the ordinary mental pigeon-holes.

Some people have attempted to place it in the ordinary category of "Communist regimes installed with Russian assistance." In fact there is overwhelming evidence that it belongs to the rare category of "Communist regimes that have won power by their own strength."

Communist spokesmen talking to well-informed Chinese audiences argue that the only real help they received from Russia was indirect; that American assistance to the Kuomintang would have been on an even larger scale if America had not been preoccupied with the Cold War in Europe.

As the American White Paper shows, the Communists won because of better generalship, better organisation and better morale—and with captured American arms—against a Kuomintang army which was superior in both numbers and equipment till the year of the civil war.

Nature Of The Regime

The ordinary categories have also caused confusion about the nature of the regime. People have argued: "Communist, therefore a dominant minority maintaining power by terrorism." In fact the Chinese Communists have been remarkably successful in winning popular support.

In the older Communist areas they succeeded in producing a considerable increase in agricultural productivity and raising the standard of living of the average peasant. In the newer areas they have not yet raised the standard of living, largely because of events outside their control such as an unusually bad harvest and the Kuomintang blockade, and so far a certain amount of dissatisfaction. But they have won over a very large proportion of educated Chinese opinion.

Nearly all the students are enthusiastic supporters of the new regime, and the great majority of the intelligentsia and technicians, including those with foreign education, feel that it offers more hope for China than any previous government. They may not agree with all Communist policies, but what they want is minor modifications within the new system, not a change of system.

Because of this widespread support and the absence of effective opposition, the new regime has not resorted to the unpleasant secret police methods that were common under Kuomintang rule, even though the Communists have little general belief in civil liberties.

There are conflicting tendencies within the Chinese Communist Party. In so far as they have followed their own best principles—that the Communist Party should serve the masses and should study the facts to find out what does serve the masses—the results have been very good.

When they have acted from a blind doctrinaire application of Communist theories without regard for the actual wishes of the masses, they have made some bad mistakes. It is possible to see how the new regime might degenerate into a dominant minority. But to say that such degeneration is inevitable is the converse of the doctrinaire Communist argument that all non-

Communist systems must degenerate into fascism. And at present what might be called the "scientific Marxist" tendency in the Chinese Communist Party is predominant over the "superstitious Marxist" tendency.

Not Dependent on Russia

Although the Chinese Communist Party is not dependent on Russia as the Kuomintang was dependent on America, the Communists are strongly pro-Russian, whereas many of the Kuomintang leaders were not pro-American. But to label the Communists as "agents of Russian imperialism" is just as confusing as the Communist label of "agent of Wall Street" for anyone who is anti-Russian. The Chinese Communist leaders certainly do not think of themselves as Russian agents.

There is a real problem in understanding why men of undoubted intelligence and integrity should be so uncritical about the claims of Russian propaganda. But there is a real problem in understanding why non-Communists of intelligence and integrity should for so long have accepted Chiang Kai-shek's claims to be a democratic leader, in the face of more direct and definite evidence to the contrary.

In fact, the Chinese Communists believe that their pro-Russian alignment serves the interests of the Chinese people because of a perfectly honest and logical deduction from extremely inaccurate premises about the facts of Russian behaviour and the situation in non-Communist countries.

China is a very good example of the way in which the Communist doctrines and the anti-Communist doctrines co-operate very effectively in worsening international relations. Chinese Communist propaganda has certainly strengthened the influence of the extreme anti-Communists in the West. But the doctrinaire anti-Communists have been much more active in providing evidence to substantiate the Communist analysis of the world situation.

There has been a great deal in American policy in the Far East, and something though much less in British policy, which has given the Chinese Communists perfectly good reasons to believe that they must face hostility from the West regardless of whether or not they really represent the Chinese people.

In fact, it is practically certain that the great majority of British opinion would not be hostile to a Communist regime which really based its power on popular support, and not on secret police terrorism, and whose policies really improved the living conditions of the people.

To make this clear to the people of China it would be necessary to make a clear repudiation of the doctrine of anti-Communism who make no distinction between Communist power based on popular support and Communist power based on secret police terrorism. It would also be necessary to use enough imagination to understand how British actions will appear to people in China.

On the Chinese side there is still a large body of opinion which hopes for friendly relations with Britain, and a sincere and intelligent British response would stand a good chance of establishing a better mutual understanding. This would do a good deal to lessen international tension and the risk of war.

TERRORISING EASTERN EUROPE

By SCRUTATOR

The Kostov trial in Bulgaria exemplified a new stage in Soviet treason-trials since the war.

Until recently these engines of suppression were used to crush anti-Communist like Petkov in Bulgaria and Cardinal Mindszenty in Hungary. Now they are being used to crush Communist like the late Rajk in Hungary and Kostov in Bulgaria. Their victims are men who till a very short time ago held some of the highest posts.

Rajk's case was a strong instance of that, but Kostov's is a stronger. When the late Georgi Dimitroff—a saint in the Communist calendar—was Prime Minister of Bulgaria, he had Kostov for his deputy Prime Minister; and, as the principal witness was alling and often absent, the deputy wielded most of the power.

Under the policy laid down in the Common Programme, the Peking Government has offered to establish diplomatic relations with all foreign Governments willing to do so, on the usual terms of equality and mutual benefit, and respect for territory and sovereignty. It has also promised to examine existing Treaties, to recognise, revise or reject them according to their contents, and to restore and develop trade with foreign Governments and people—again on the basis of equality and mutual benefit. All this may—or may not—accord with the Kremlin's concepts of what a faithful Communist Party ought to support and sustain.

But that may not be all. The "Yorkshire Post" a day or so ago gave its readers a peep behind the scenes: "We are told on good authority," it declared, "that many leading Communists, especially the great Generals, are by no means blind to what Russian Imperialism has always meant, and still means, to China; and Russia's grip on Manchuria through her possession of its railways and

Yet it is this powerful man who came before a Bulgarian "people's court" on the usual charges of betraying Russian interests and pursuing those of Marshall Tito and of the "Western imperialists." He had been in prison since last March for a time which testified to his stubbornness, as did his refusal in court to plead guilty to the more serious charges.

Enmities And Jealousies

How have cases like Rajk's and Kostov's arisen? Were they due merely to the enmities and jealousies of a dog-eat-dog world, or was there something more in it? In Russia itself since the Communist revolution? The dates suggest otherwise; they point to a common time-table, which only Moscow could arrange. So do the slights and charges; a local enemy would trump up something less incredible to local opinion.

ports conspicuously contradicts the aims of the Common Programme." It goes on to say that beyond all else, the pro-recognition party believe that the Communists will eventually prove more Chinese than Marxist, and that everything possible must be done to keep touch with the Chinese people, who may acquiesce in their new Government but who, in all tradition and practice, are the reverse of Communist.

The question to be asked, for which we must wait for the answer, is whether the Great Khan is merely exploiting the visit of the Chinese Communist chief for prestige, or whether he has called Mr. Mao to Moscow to press for an all-round alliance. Nobody will worry much about butter on the parsnips. But it would be a vastly different matter if the new regime entered into open bondage. Somehow, we feel that though Mr. Mao has gone to Moscow, he has hardly gone in the spirit of the pilgrimage to Canossa.

Would any Bulgarian have made it a principal point against Kostov that he advocated a federation, when everybody in Sofia knows that he was advocated primarily by Dimitroff himself? Less than two years ago Dimitroff was expressly rebuked for it by the official Moscow newspaper "Pravda" and dismissed from office. He would have gone further had he lived. But most importantly for Russia he subsequently died on Russian soil.

These treason trials are calculated to teach the peoples of Eastern Europe, two unimpaired lessons. First, that the only terms on which any individual behind the Iron Curtain can be safe are those of complete submission to the will of Russia. Anybody who by thought or word, let alone deed, differs from Moscow, is liable to be "liquidated."

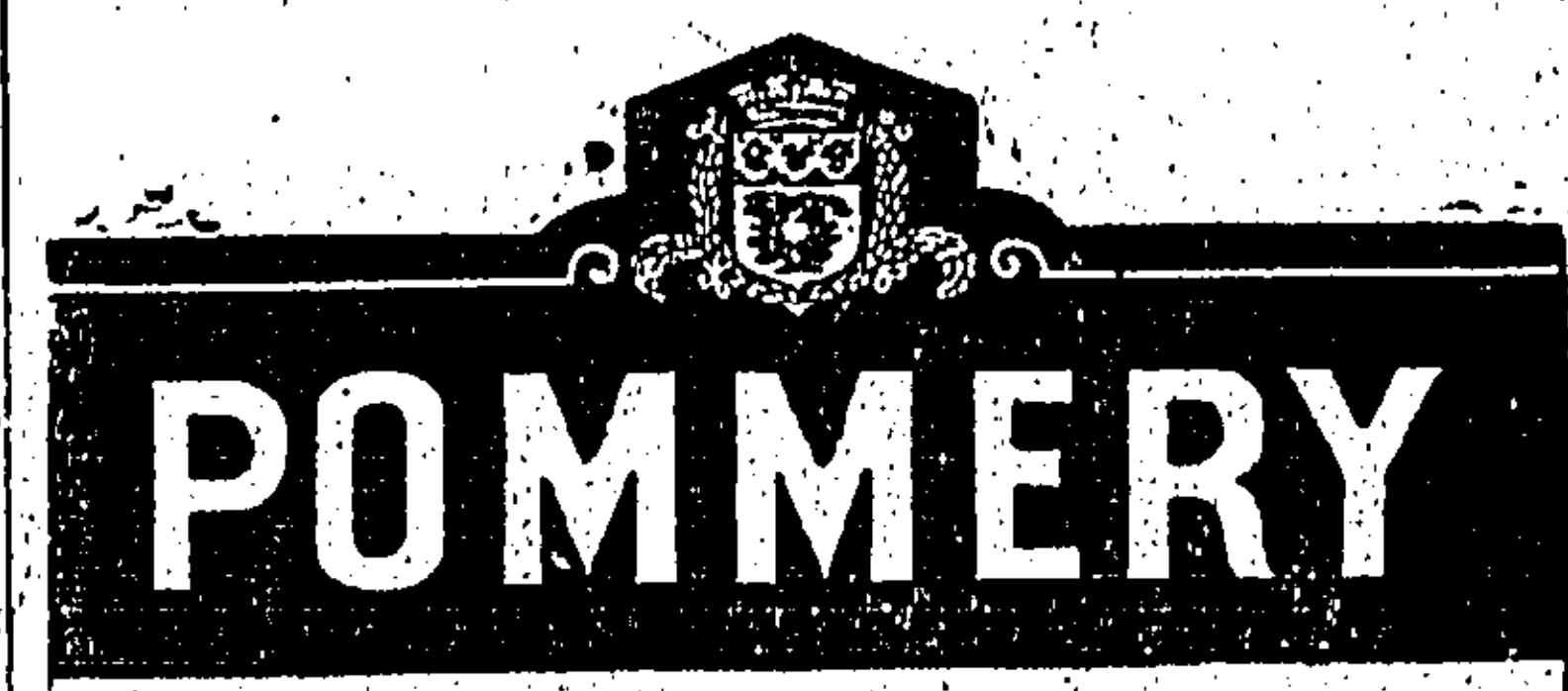
Secondly, that no loyalty to Communism as a doctrine, no enthusiasm for the carrying out of Communist policies in his own country, no long record of party activity, will be accepted as excusing anyone for "deviation" from what was expressly stated in the Cominform-Tito correspondence to be the Communist's paramount duty, viz., the advancement of Russian interests.

If Russia demands of a satellite country that its army should function as part of the Russian army, that its industry, agriculture and trade should be dovetailed exclusively into Russian economic requirements, or that this or that department should be in these or those hands, it must be done. Anybody who demurs, is lost.

A person familiar with Balkan history in the 19th century might interpose that this is nothing new. The Russians are not being heavy-handed for the first time. They did, or attempted to do, much the same under the Tsardom—particularly in Bulgaria after its liberation in the 1870s.

They failed then, and may therefore fail now. The facts are more enough, but the inference is more doubtful. Tsarist Russia could seldom go to quite the same lengths as the Soviet, because rival Powers were on the watch—in the Balkans, Austria-Hungary, in Finland, Germany. Where that was not so, as in the Caucasus and in Central Asia, the heavy hand succeeded. Stalin knows it; not for nothing was he reared in Georgia.

Tsardom And Soviet
Further, one must remember that as elsewhere, the grand difference between the Tsardom and the Soviet—that the Tsardom ruled mainly the body, but the Soviet rules the mind also. (Continued On Page 17)



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CHAPTER I

It was Christopher Columbus and Old George Cranby who brought me to the quaint streets of Cap-Haitien. Fire and earthquake and pirates had burned and looted here since Haiti was Hispaniola when corsair and galleon sailed in the service of the fat Spanish king. But the buildings of pastel blue and pink and green, and their balconies with twisted and tortured iron railings, somehow survived the eroding years.

Now the setting sun flared over Fort Picoloet near which our salvage ship drifted idly in a scarlet sea.

I climbed aboard and let out a loud halloo. No one answered and I knew something was wrong. Where was the man on watch? Where was Helen? Certainly Old George was on board. . . . And then I saw him. . . .

He was slumped against the air-pump with a bullet in his head and a gun at his feet. He had lived by violence and by violence he went out. Navy Ex-Commander George Cranby, salvage expert, was very dead.

The picture was suicide and there was something wrong with it. Why on earth should Old George take his own life?

I seemed incapable of action, so I sat on the big diving bell and my thoughts took flight. . . . It seemed impossible that only 10 days had passed since Old George invaded my hotel room in New York at 11 in the morning and roused me from a sound sleep.

Me? I'm just the rolling stones that didn't gather — diver, salvager, mechanic, gadgeteer and private eye by turns. I'm a bug on tools, and if I can't find the right one for the job, I go and invent it. Gadgets.

I had worked under Commander Cranby in the Navy. He was a real salvage expert. It was big stuff—for Old George, that is. He wore the brass and I did the work. A sucker, that's me; I admit it freely.

That day, Old George came barging into the room and went into action. "Pack up!" he roared. "I'm heading out for treasure and I'm cutting you in."

I rocked him back on his heels with one of those lusty cheers they patented in the Bronx, informing him I was back with Investigations, Inc., easy stuff with a salary and a swindle-sheet, and I wanted no part of him.

He stopped bellowing and got down to brass tacks. He had the dough, the ship and a map showing exactly where there was a sunken Spanish galleon.

"How much?" I wanted to know.

"Five million in gold ingots and silver plate."

"How much on the line for me?"

"No cash. Straight 10 per cent of the take. A cool half million."

"Don't give me that pie in the sky!" I snorted. "I want cash down! Now!"

"Fifteen percent, you miserly Mick!" The Commander was in fine fettle.

"Look who's calling! Come back next year, son."

"Twenty then. Twenty per cent straight, blast you! We leave tomorrow. La Belle Helene from Pier 83, East River. Six a.m. Have all your gear on board."

"Before the cops are up? Why the getaway? Come again. I don't go for romantic stuff."

Maybe I shouldn't have pulled that one. Old George was nobody's fool. He dug into his bag of tricks.

"Alright, stew in your own juice! Stick to the divorce racket, you small-time chiseller. Helen and I are off for Haiti!"

He was hitting out and below the belt. Helen, the beautiful Helen! His stepdaughter. Two years she had kept

Our Serial Story

CASE OF THE HAITIAN HORDE

By Walt Anderson

me dangling. There was another Helen like that—with a face that "launched a thousand ships and burnt the topless towers of Ilium." Sweet Helen, make me immortal with a kiss. . . . Her lips draw forth my soul. . . . Words original with a guy named Kit Marlowe. Yep, she was disturbing. I sensed in her a love that enveloped, hate that rioted, in a crazy, upside-down world.

"And make it pronto!" Old George ordered. "We've got new, modern stuff that'll make your eyes pop. Radar. Siebe-Gorman double-action pumps like the Limeys use. A 35 ton diving bell that set me back \$10,000."

"What have you to go on? Astrology? Or do you read bumps?"

He glared. "A map and a story. Here, stick your nose in it. Divers say it's there. Radar says ditto." He held out a paper, old and yellow, the writing small and crabbed.

It was quite a yarn he told about the lost flagship of Christopher Columbus, wrecked on a nearby reef. History records that Columbus was sent home in chains, and later was reinstated in part in honours, and rewards. So Columbus again set foot on Hispaniola on the very day his enemy Bobadilla set out for Spain in the Golden Hinde a galleon loaded with gold ingots and silver plate. And it was wrecked.

That much is history. And now what matters is that this old sea tragedy lured George Cranby and his Helen and your humble servant from New York to recover a treasure that lay deep in Davy Jones' locker. Fantastic? Not to a salvager.

On the way down to Haiti one thing troubled me: the relationship between Helen and her stepfather. There was a poorly concealed current of animosity that promised to explode any moment.

We tied up at Cap-Haitien, and everyone was hellbent for shore. The crew went first, leaving a man on watch. Helen and I were about to follow when we had a visitor.

He pulled up alongside in an old sailboat and I looked for the skull and crossbones. If I've ever seen an old pirate, this was it. His skin was like the brown earth of his native Haiti, and furrowed deep. One eye was almost closed, but the other made up for it. It was all black with no discernible iris, and it snapped and crackled in the sunlight.

He introduced himself as Napoleon Bonaparte and swore he was 130 years old. Old George seemed to expect him, and as we left, they went into a huddle. Something was cooking. I wondered what. . . .

Then in town, to my chagrin, Helen insisted on going her way, alone. So I returned to the ship, and found sudden death. I dug around in my cabin and came up with a heap of candies. I tossed them into an iron pot and, when the paraffin was soft and malleable, I immersed Old George's right hand in it time and again, till a thick coating had formed.

Further along at a local bazaar was Mate Joe Baresse, buying up mahogany trays. I squelched his enthusiasm and sent him hustling.

By the time I returned to the Belle Helene with the police commissioner, its namesake was back aboard ship, her arms loaded with souvenirs. The beautiful Helen portrayed shock, but there were no tears.

The commissioner was short and fat; his name, Hugo Riviere-Laran. He might have stepped out of a comic opera, but his eye, betrayed keen insight into the ways and follies of his fellowman.

To my chagrin Hugo turned up minute bits of wax clinging to Old George's right hand, and my murder theory was all but shattered. Hugo was intrigued by the test, but even more interested in what made me tick. Soon he came up with the facts that I had worked for Old George in the U.S. Navy, that I had a share in the expedition, and that I was once a private detective.

The treasure hunt kept prying on his mind.

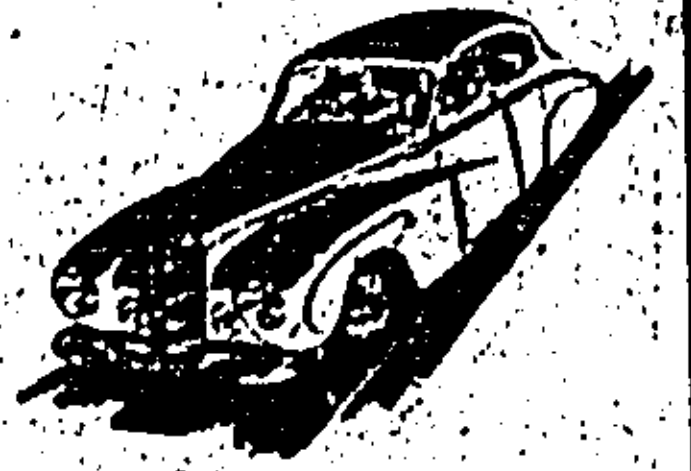
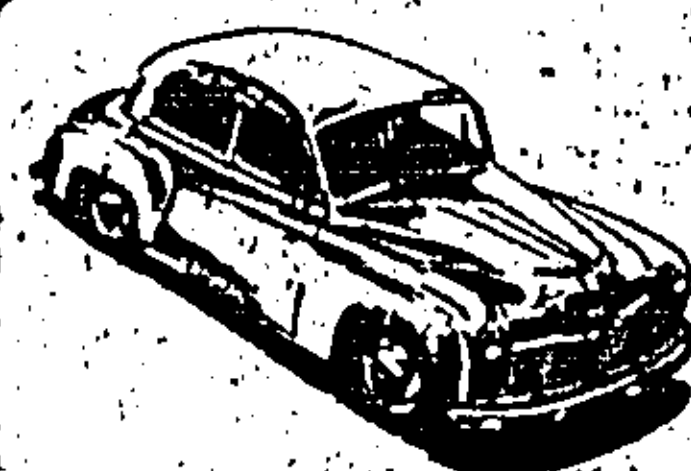
"Always the gold, monsieur. Take away the crimes passionelles—and what have you left? The gold, The treasure! The very thought—of it—sets up—a fever!"

There was nothing about this little man that suggested the provincial cop, and I pressed him further.

"My training? With the Surete in Paris. The science it is with me a passion. In my house I make the spot test to identify the compounds. And the photomicrography—ah, so wonderful, so exact a science!"

I warned to him. A scientist, a fellow-gadgets! I dragged out my best cognac to loosen his tongue and he spoke of his hobby lovingly.

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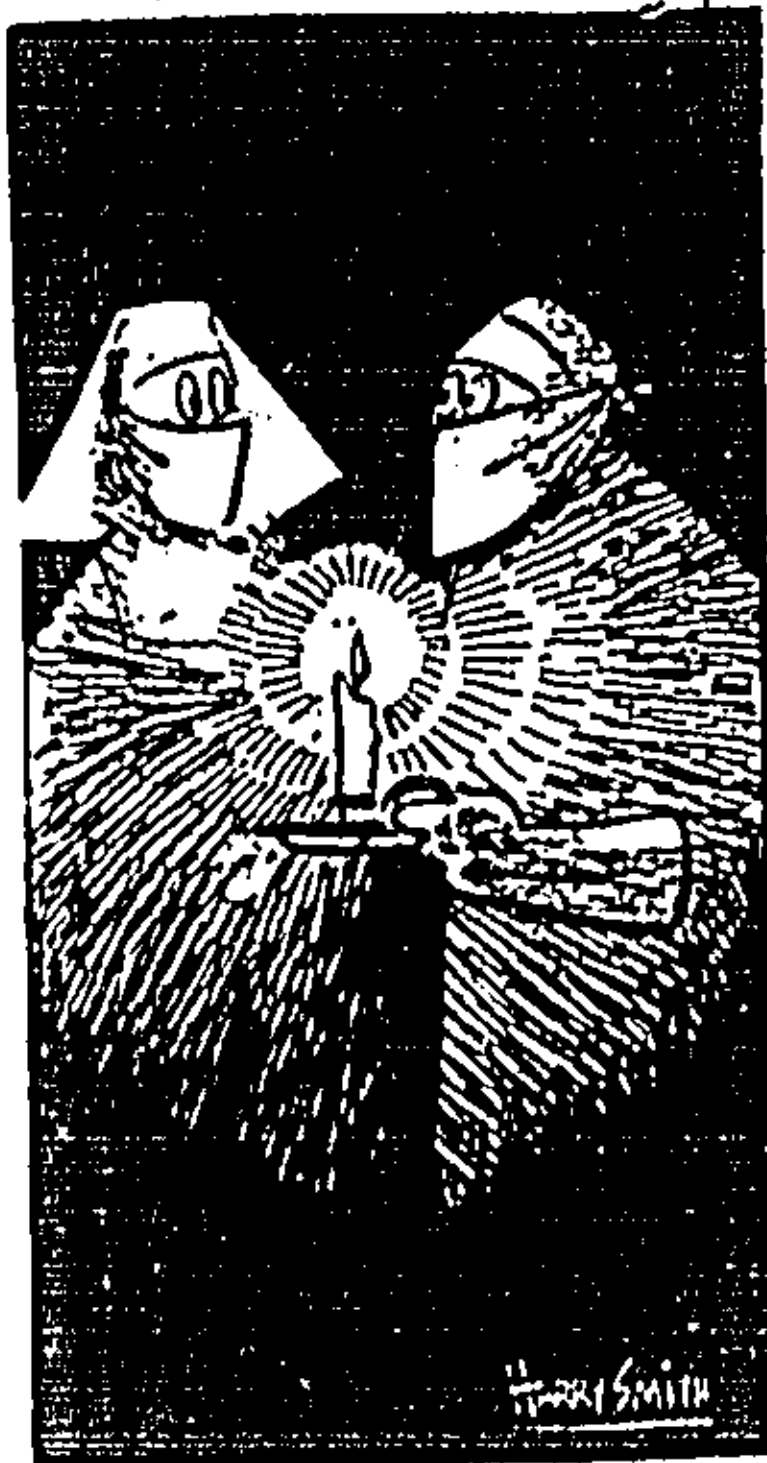


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Peter Quennell's Bookshelf

A woman in a rage and a storm at sea. A murderer whom the world acquits, but who gradually destroys himself, portrayed against the sombre background of a stuffy Dutch provincial town.

What a craftsman Simenon is! He takes both of these subjects, plunges us into them up to the neck, until the floor captain of the *Tonnerre de Dieu* rushes to and fro between his wave-swept bridge and the cabin where his jealous and embittered wife is having wild hysterics, and until we can almost smell the lonely cigar that Dr. Kuperus is masticating.

Such is the strength of the author's realism—not the exhibitionist realism of some American story-tellers, but a quiet, matter-of-fact command of detail that builds up, stroke by stroke, a solid and convincing picture.

Georges Simenon is a man of many countries, interests, aspects. He appears to have been everywhere, done everything, and to be as much at his ease describing the finer shades of human conduct and emotion as when he is using his knowledge of the Dutch railway system to provide a murderer's opportunity.

Neither story in *A Wife at Sea* is quite as good as "Child of a Girl," reviewed some time earlier this year. But they contain sufficient literary material to set up in business half a dozen of our modern English novelists.

From all gibes at contemporary English fiction I, of course, except Joyce

Cary, a writer of prodigious vitality from whom words and images come bubbling out with the violence of a volcanic geyser, sweeping us along while the torrent continues, throwing us aside in the last paragraph somewhat exhausted and bewildered.

A Fearful Joy is surprisingly enjoyable—surprisingly because Joyce Cary has elected to tell his tale in the "historic present," writing "Tabitha says" and "Tabitha does" where we should normally look forward to hearing what Tabitha said and did.

Nevertheless, he manages to hold our attention. Tabitha Baskett, his heroine, is a kind of late-Victorian Moll Flanders, who strides boldly through a fantastic succession of uncomfortable experiences—seduction and desertion at the whim of a handsome crook, followed by a "life of sin" in exalted high-brow circles, followed by marriage to an excitable capitalist old enough to be her grandfather—and emerges still youthful and energetic, with unabashed self-confidence.

On the final page Tabitha, now an old woman, laughs so loud and so hard that she nearly dies of heart failure. A novel basically serious, which allows itself some scenes of uproarious slapstick comedy.

A very promising beginner is Elizabeth Elliot, whose first novel will inevitably be compared to the books of Nancy Mitford; for she, too, has been bruised in the hunting-field, bored at coming-out parties, and has shivered in English country houses with more monumental fireplaces than housemaids to light fires in them.

Her style is conversational, easy, malicious. She has well-developed sense of character, together with a knack of pinning it down in a few unobtrusive phrases, and makes of Alice

—a charming but rather helpless young woman who drifts with the current of life like a discontented water lily, marrying a young man far too pink-and-goldenly good-looking to be satisfactorily masculine, then acquiring a middle-aged lover too virile to be sensitive—a genuinely pathetic and sympathetic personage.

But I refuse to believe in the tragic ending. It suggests a train hastily tacked on to add sweep and dignity to a slightly frivolous new dress.

QUICK LOOKS

Draynolette Revisited, by Osbert Lancaster. (Murray).

The growth of a typical—but imaginary—English town studied from the earliest times, with a full and diverting account of its antiquities, literary celebrities, and local ruling families. Nobly illustrated, in the versatile author's most stringent style of draughtsmanship.

Samuel Pepys, the Saviour of the Navy, by Arthur Bryant. (Collins).

In the third volume of his splendid biography of Pepys (of which the fourth and last volume has not yet been published), Arthur Bryant tells how, after a period of political disgrace, the diarist returned to the Admiralty to find his cherished life-work crumbling into ruin, and how he rebuilt the Navy to England's lasting benefit.

The Desert of Love and The Enemy, by Francois Mauriac. (Eyre and Spottiswoode).

Few living novelists are more important than Mauriac; and "The Desert of Love" is certainly among his best works. Gerard Hopkins's translation is everything it should be.

Religion And Politics

By The Bishop Of Southwell

Religion or counter-religion men will have. If they do not make politics religious, they will end by making religion political; and that means the corruption of both. The question raised is, in one form or another, the dominating issue of our time. There is no slick, rule-of-thumb answer to it.

The cry "Keep religion out of politics" entails abandoning politics to cynicism and condemning religion to a ghost-like pietism. Moreover, it plays straight into the hands of tyranny. It can find no support in Christianity.

Yet the other extreme is equally disastrous. Christianity has betrayed its birthright. If it is equated with any mundane policy, for that is, in effect, to lose the gift of God as a means to the realisation of man's will. Christianity is a religion, not a social programme.

Thus it rejects two false abstractions—both the spirituality of the Yogi and the secularity of the Kommissar. It derives its power to transform the present world from its loyalty to a Kingdom not of this world.

The Church today is told, on the one hand, that it should discard the dogmas of theology and concentrate on duty to our neighbour. On the other hand, and often in the same breath, it is warned not to interfere in politics. Just how we can love our neighbour as ourselves if we shirk political responsibility and take no active part as Christian citizens, I find it difficult to understand.

Christianity is an other-worldly faith. Its ethical valuations presuppose that man is made for God and life eternal. If that is cut out, it has nothing left to say. But if men are called to be the children of God, and if this life is indeed a vale of soul-making, then social and political institutions must always be the concern of Christianity. Compared with the "exceeding weight of glory" politics do not ultimately matter—not in them is the chief end of man. Yet because the Church is a "colony of heaven" it can never keep aloof from politics.

A Scheme To Fight Unemployment

In Denmark a scheme begun during the Occupation, to combat unemployment among women is today easing the burden of thousands of Danish housewives.

The scheme—a "Domestic Relief Organisation" set up by the Ministry of Social Affairs—aims at providing housewives with expert domestic help should they fall ill or leave their family in an emergency.

For the past six years 3,000 Danish women have been engaged in domestic relief work under a Ministry of Labour scheme. They were given a little training however—a few evening classes at the most—and the plan was aimed at helping women who wanted work rather than those who needed help.

Under the new scheme all "deputy housewives" as they will be called, will get three months' training paid for, in part, by the State. Although they will not wear uniform, they must have had at least five years' practical experience as housewives before joining the new organisation.

Once they start work, payment will be 1s. 6d. to 2s. an hour (families will contribute what they can and the State will pay the rest) and as deputy housewives they must be prepared to do everything in the way of ordinary housework as well as shop, look after children and invalids, and incidentally the garden.

NEWS QUIZ ANSWERS

1. New Zealand and Australia.
2. Bulgaria.
3. Forty-three.
4. Saigon.
5. Trieste.
6. Huddersfield Town.

Italians And Motor Cars

Buying a car in Italy is a tricky business these days, even though there are plenty available, and you have the money.

Although many Italians can afford to buy cars and while the cars in their thousands are there for them to buy, would-be car owners dare not buy them for if they do their income tax will go up in leaps and bounds.

Under the Italian income tax system—a haphazard and openly dishonest one—no businessman ever admits to earning more than £4 a week although his weekly income may well amount to more than £40.

If, in an ungarded moment, he should buy a car, the local income tax inspector, informed of the fact by the car licensing authorities, would be on the spot almost immediately to ask how, on £4 a week, he could afford it.

This, however, writes David Lee, does not mean that Italians are not interested in cars. On the contrary, they are so interested that every time a car stops in one of the more rural towns, crowds gather round and the more venturesome crawl under the car to inspect springs and wheels.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. Uncle Toby, in Sterne's "Tristram Shandy."
2. Snipe.
3. William Dockwra (or Dockwray) in 1680.
4. Cheap melodrama—of the kind once popular in London theatres South of the Thames.
5. William F. Cody.
6. Oxford. By Matthew Arnold ("Essays in Criticism").

Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER...



When you hear from me next time it will be Christmas morning. I am now wondering how many of you have started to get things ready for the happy occasion. Have you bought all your presents yet? Have you got a list of all the names and addresses of friends to whom you are going to send a card or a gift? And do you know just what to get for each one in the family and your friends? If you haven't given a thought to all these things yet, I would advise you to start planning right away. There's not much more time to do it, and last-minute rushes are never satisfactory.

But so many of us do leave things to the very last, don't we? Well, let's be different this year and get everything ready before the time comes. So that we won't have to say, "Oh, I forgot this and I forgot that."

Christmas is a very important day. And it's the time also when it shows how much you remember someone by giving him or her a little gift or a card. It doesn't matter how small the thing may be; it will be appreciated.

At the moment, you still have time to get ready what you want, so do it right away.

Happy days to you all, from

This competition closes on Tuesday morning, December 20.

If you look at the illustration of the Christmas tree, you will see numbers on it, each representing the place where a typical gift will be placed. What you have to do is to choose from the various presents at the sides of the tree, and give each an appropriate number, corresponding to the place it should go on the tree.

Mind you, this is mostly a guessing competition, but there is a certain amount of judgment needed. For instance, would you put something really bulky at No. 1? I hardly think so.

Those who get the highest number of gifts and numbers right will be the winners. When I say "right," I mean in the order. I have already chosen.

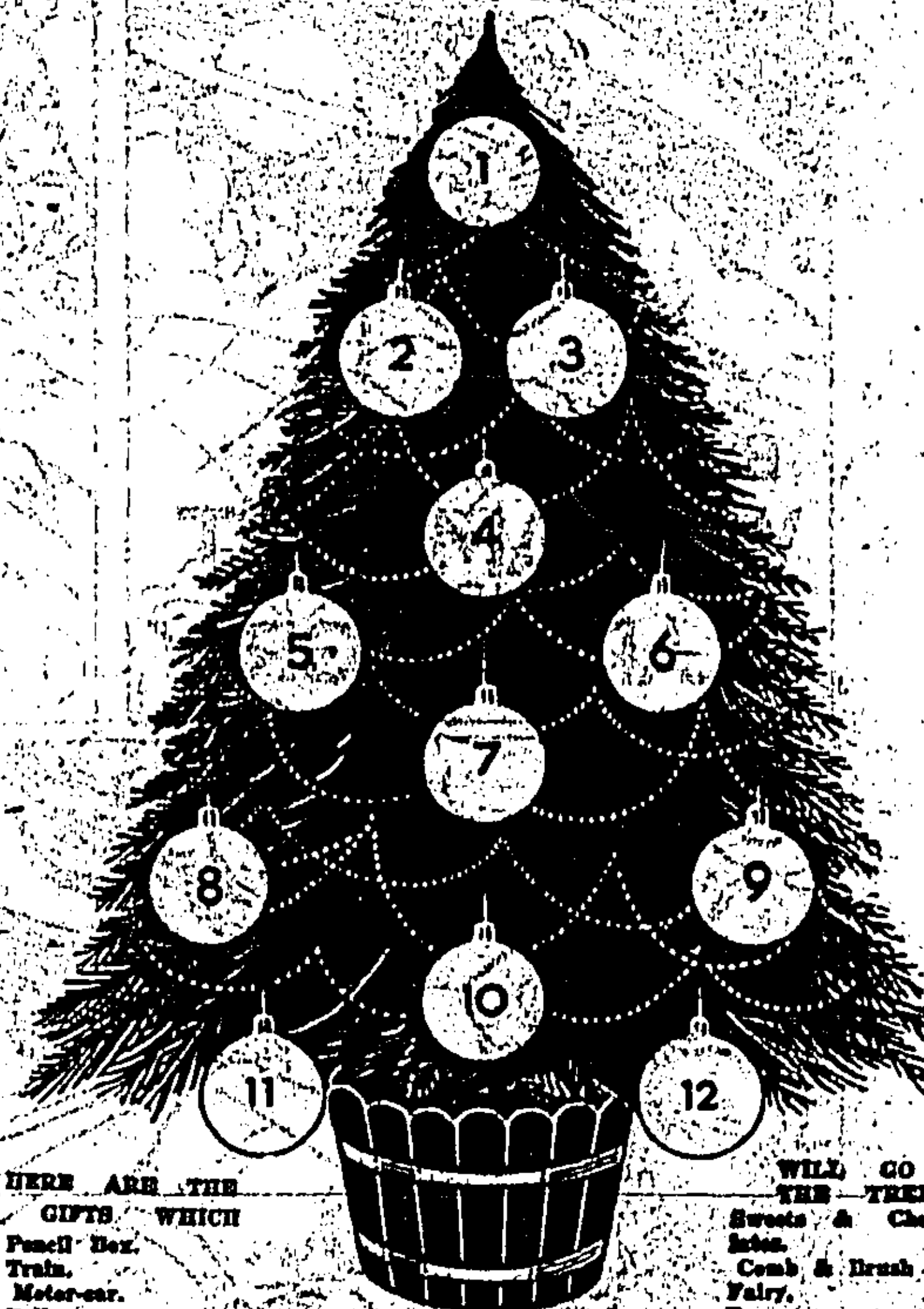
As this competition closes on Tuesday, I will write to the winners, asking them to come to the office to collect their prizes on Friday or Saturday before Christmas.

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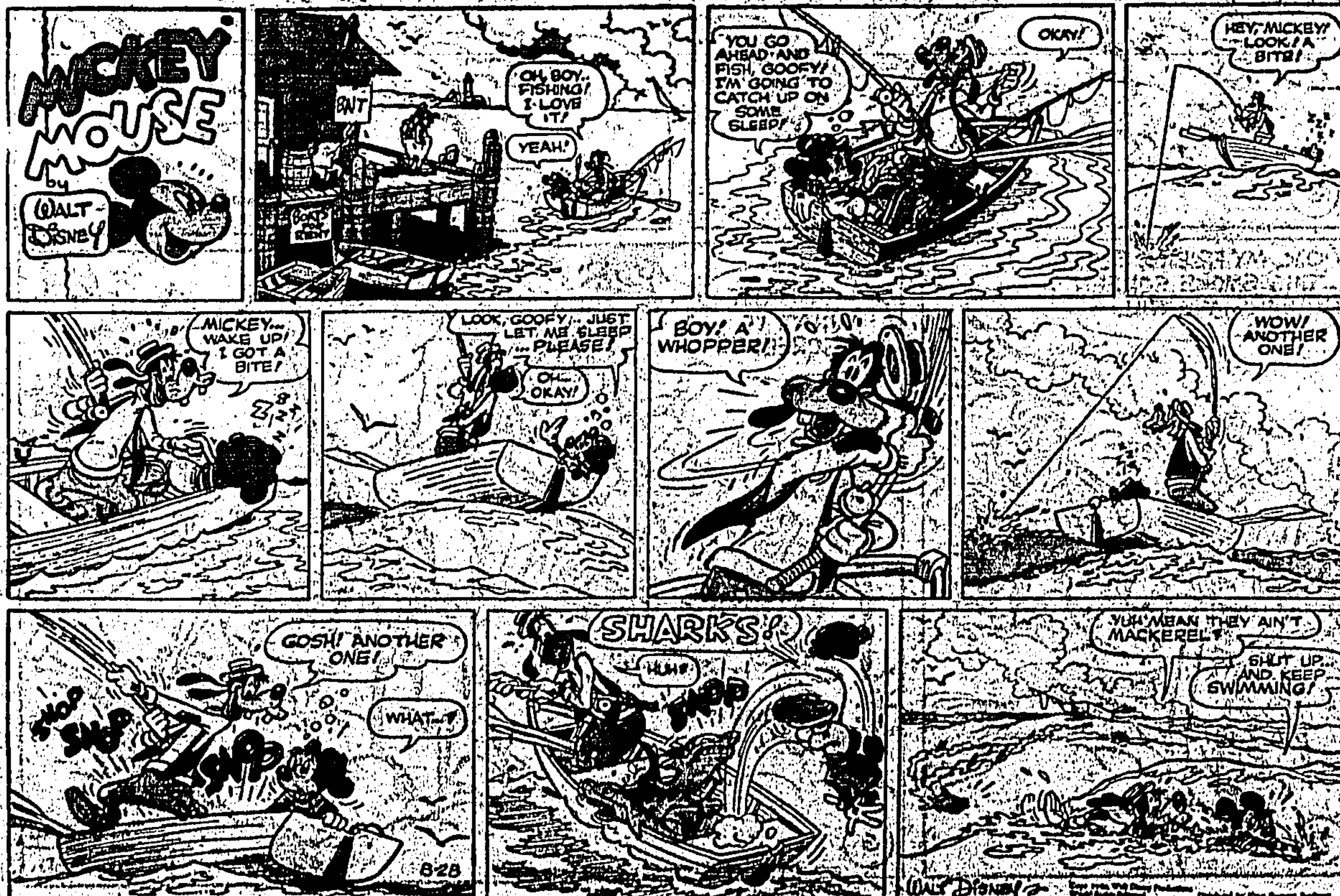


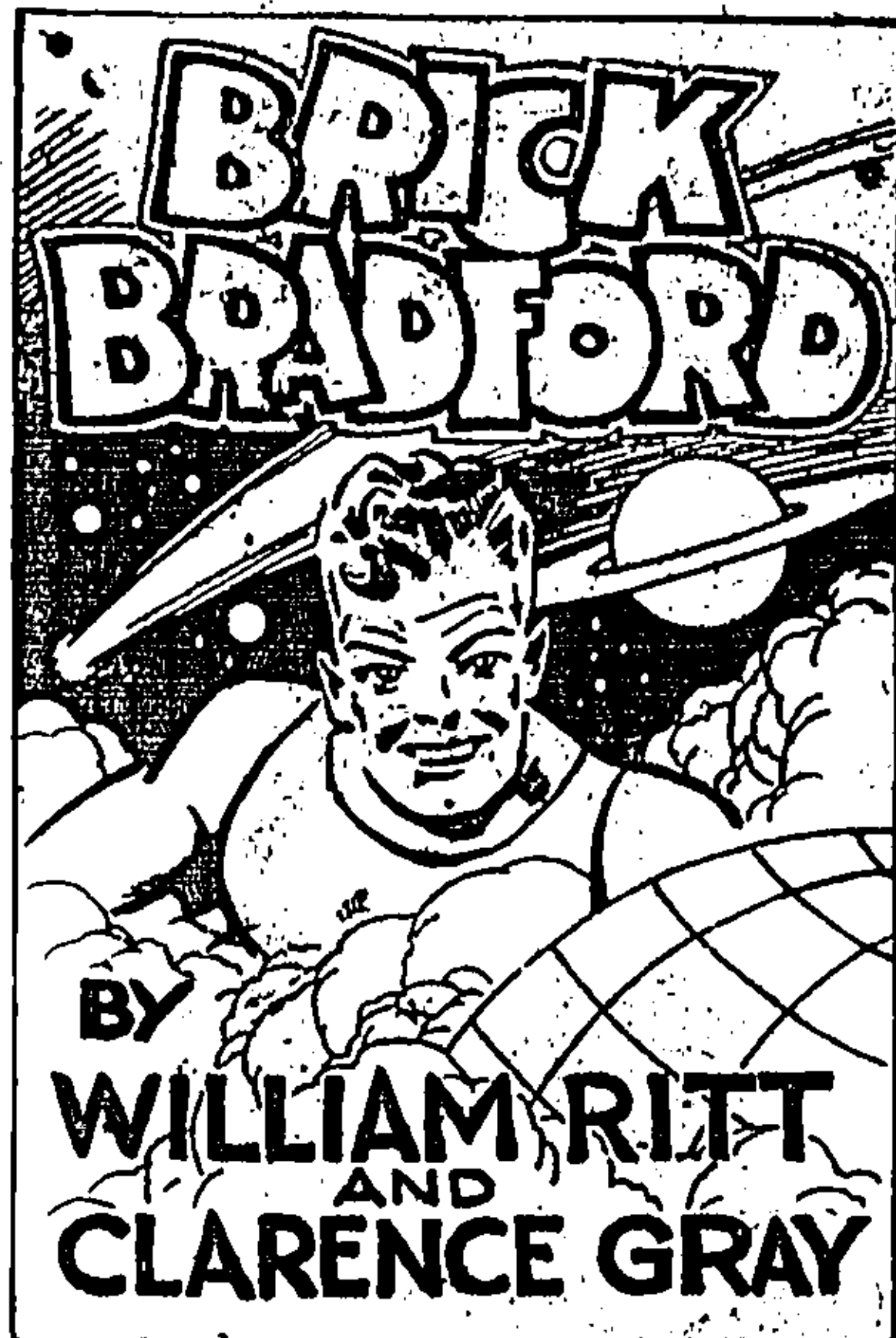
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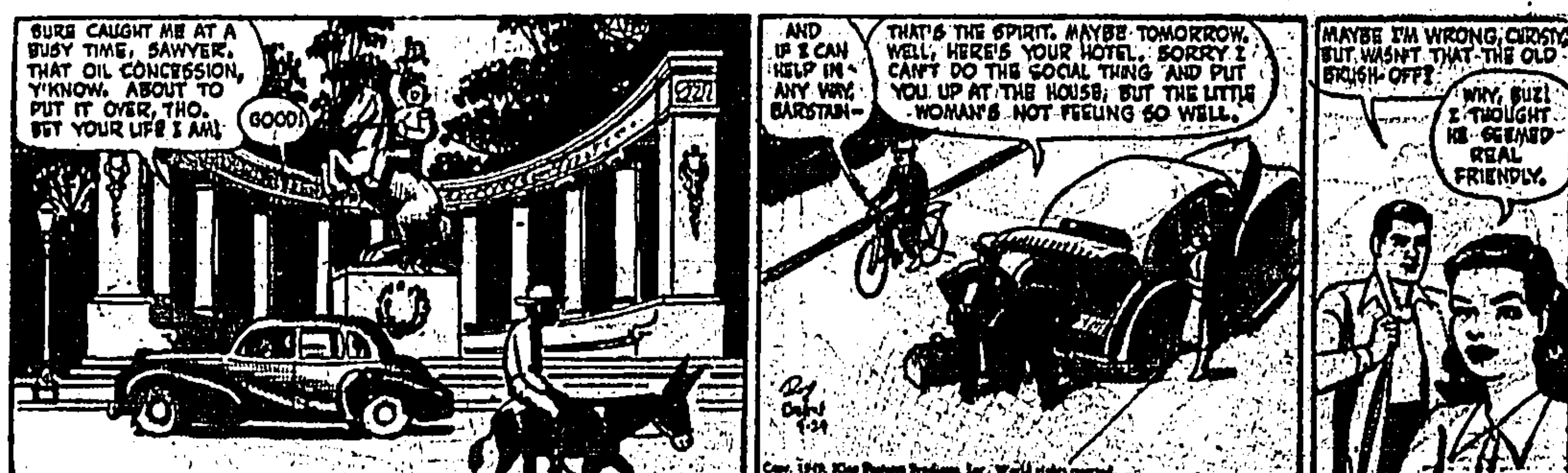


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BUZ SAWYER

By Roy Crane

A Day In Shek-O



It was quite a fine day, though the sun hid her face among the greyish clouds at intervals. It was Tuesday morning, however, and we were going for a picnic to Shek-O.

We arrived punctually at the starting place, and at 10 a.m. the appointed hour, we set forth. We climbed up into a truck and a car. Among our noisy crowd were three teachers, who were conveyed by the latter vehicle. With some joking and singing it seemed quite a short journey from our school to Shek-O. How glad we were to leave the dusty town and go into the country side for a change!

We arrived there sooner than the three "Misses." While waiting for them at the station we engaged our time in climbing trees. Oh! the vivid scenery of the roaring sea, the lively fighting between dogs and cats, cocks and hens; the country air and the swaying breeze all made us glad to be alive. As we surveyed the surroundings we laughed and played as innocent children would do.

After a quarter of an hour's time, the three "Misses" arrived too. After we had settled down in Vivian's (A school-mate) house, a cook and two assistants were chosen. Vivian was elected cook together with two other girls whose name I do not know. The tasty meal was not due to the merits of the special three only, the bulk of us who rendered help shared a part, too.

After this, we went climbing the stony hills along the beach, to our disappointment, our party consisted of only 10 or 12 people. Yet this did not dampen our glowing spirit and interest. Farther and farther we crawled, harder and harder it seemed. Such trifling accidents, slipping, pulling and helping one another, gave rise to the thought of a simile between climbing and the progress of our real lives. We all have our ups and downs in this world, why not face them bravely as we did in this daring game? We all should help one another in society, why not give that help generously when it is needed? I value this meaning, and am not slow to appreciate it.

About 4.30 p.m. we returned to the house with sore feet, bruises but happier hearts. A few of our party pleased to go home; those who stayed went to the Dairy Farm for a drink. I was among the latter crowd and we had a pleasant chat with one of the three "misses" who stayed with us, until the truck came again, which forced us to bid good-bye to Shek-O.

Everyone of us went home heartily contented. Few games were played, yet we were satisfied with our individual entertainments. Well, I am looking forward to another picnic soon!

Honour certificate to Esther M. Lo of 6 Wild Dell Bldg., Wood Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

The Two Goats

Two goats met each other face to face on the side of a very steep mountain. The ledge was so narrow that there was no room for them either to pass each other or to turn round and go back. A precipitous rock rose straight above them, and a deep dark precipice lay below. What can they do?

If they had butted each other one, if not both, would have perished. They were not so foolish. One of them laid himself down on the narrow ledge, pressing as close as possible to the side, while the other stepped cautiously over his body and passed over. They managed to pass each other in safety, and both of them came to no harm.

Honour certificate to "Edward" of 113, Fuk Wing Street, 2nd Floor, Shamshing, Kowloon.

A Child And Her Grandpa

"Oh, my child, my dear child, why do you weep?
And why so often fall into thoughts so deep?
Do tell me my precious little darling,
What is the trouble you are concealing?"

"O, my dear Grandpa, this I cannot tell,
For it may make you sick though you are well."
"Instead Child, I will be more sincere,
And feel much better if I can dry your tears."

"You love me so much and call me honey,
But I am grieved to see you with money,
Your face turn pale and your eyes shine with greed,
Oh! When shall we from money be freed?"

"Please, Grandpa do not go near the cards,
That makes your tender heart frozen hard."
"Forgive me, my dear, I am very sorry,
I, for my sins, make you suffer and worry."

"We had better leave this Inn before the cock crows,
And put our money as our boarding fees here in rows."
"Yes, Grandpa, I'll pack our things together,
We'll leave though bad and wet is the weather."

Honour certificate to Jessie Childs of 45, Chungking Arcade, Kowloon.

MY PET

Everyone usually has his own pet. Some like dogs, birds or any other kinds of animals.

My pet is a cat whose name is "Pussy". She is very fat and pretty. Her fur is of different colours yellow, white and black. There are two black spots on her fore arms but none on the back legs. "Pussy" is very playful whenever she catches something.

"Pussy" is so pretty and playful that she is loved by our whole family. Every time when I come home she immediately runs to me and says "mew mew," as if she were welcoming me. Then she follows me everywhere and calls to me. While I am sitting to do my work she always sits beside me without any noise, but as soon as I get up from the chair she also gets up and follows me, as if she is the follower of mine.

While I am at school, "Pussy" takes a rest on my chair or sometimes in my bed, but she never goes to sleep in the kitchen near the fire; therefore she is very clean.

"Pussy" is the pet of mine and I love her very much.

Honour certificate to So Yuet Kong of 34, Cheung Sha Wan Road, 3rd floor, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon.

WHO AM I?

My first is in apple but not in apple.

My second is in heap and also in leap.

My third is in wheel and also in stall.

My fourth is in admonish but not in astonish.

My fifth is in wear and also in swear.

My sixth is in six but not in sex.

My seventh is in curtain and also in certain.

My eighth is in punch and also in lunch.

My whole is something that you like to eat.

Answer: chop suey.

Honour certificate to Albert Mark of 37, Donkang Road, Basement, Hong Kong.

THE LONE RANGER

By Fran Striker.



THE PHANTOM

By Lee Falk and Roy Moore

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Molly's Teddy Bear

Molly was going to be 10 next week. She loves dolls very much and wanted a Teddy Bear very badly.

One day she was talking to her brother Henry and she said, "Next week on Monday I will be 10 years old." Her brother knew she wanted something.

Now Henry thought of getting her a Teddy Bear but he didn't have all that money to get one so he asked his father for some money and also asked his mother for a few shillings. He had enough money now and off he went to get the Teddy Bear for Molly. Monday came and he gave Molly a surprise with the lovely Teddy Bear. When Molly saw it she was so happy and kissed Henry for it. Don't you think Molly is a lucky girl to have such a brother?

Honour certificate to Irene Botello c/o C. Mattoz, Nederlandsche Indische Handelsbank, N.V. Chung Tin Bldg. 5 Des Voeux Rd., C., Hong Kong.

Appointing A Captain

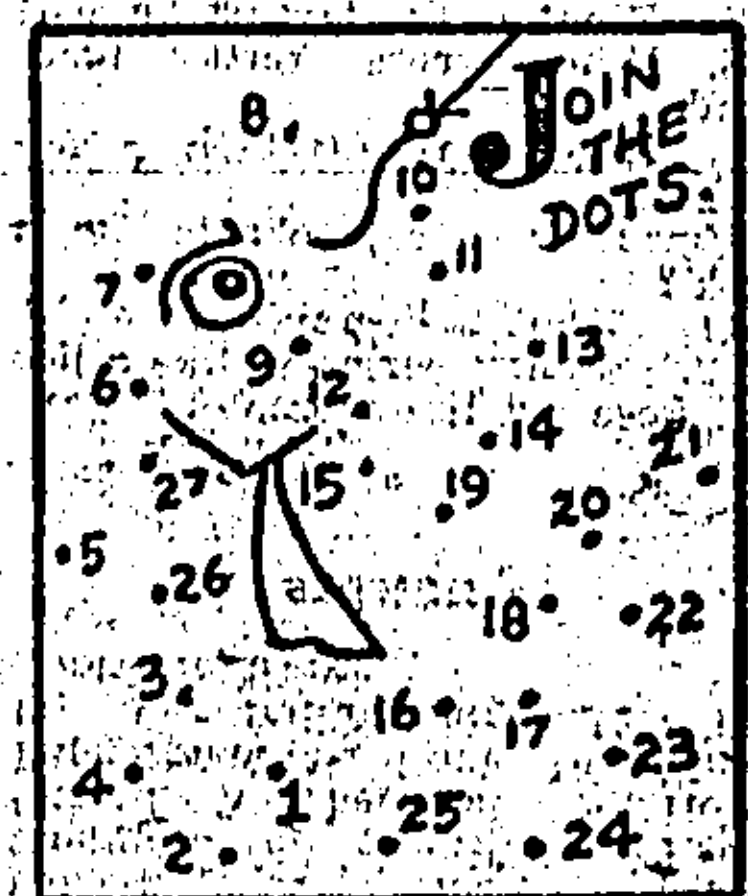
Once upon a time a ship-bound for the West Indies wanted a Captain.

There were three men who wished to take the post because they were out of work for a long time in London.

One day they made up their minds to see the owner who wanted to examine them. The three men were questioned by the owner "How near would you sail your ship to a rock?"

"I would sail to a rock about one foot," said the first man. And the second man said "I would sail to a rock within two feet." But the third man replied that he would keep his ship safe and without damage. The third man was chosen to be Captain by the owner for he said he was a careful man.

Honour certificate to Ambrose No. 30, Wellington Street, 3rd Floor, Kowloon.



The Young Doctor

A certain physician, who had been labouring hard in the City where he practised, was taking a quiet holiday in the country house of a friend for a few weeks. Before he left home, he turned over the charge of his patients to his son, a young man who had just finished all his examinations, and had been made his father's assistant and partner.

The young man was very much pleased with himself and thought a great deal more about his position than he did about his patients. "See," he said to an old friend of the family, "I am now a man of some importance, my father has put all his patients under my charge."

"Yes," said the other, "but when your father returns, how many of them will be alive?"

Honour Certificate to Ho Hin Wing of 118, Fuk Wing Street, 2nd Floor, Shamshui, Kowloon.



WORLD SPOTLIGHT

Wasps are providing pocket money for energetic small boys in New Zealand.

Fruit farmers found their crops ruined by wasps. Bee-keepers reported the killing of bees and the ruination of honey. Homes were invaded by the pest.

So schoolboys were offered 3d for every queen wasp killed. Several have made £30 to £50 and one boy has passed the £100 mark!

In America the United Nations have had a birthday party at Lake Success for children who go to the International Nursery School there.

Besides American boys and girls there were children from almost every country you can think of — Australian, China, Ecuador, Iceland, India, Mexico and a dozen more.

High spot of the afternoon was cutting the huge birthday cake iced in the UN colours, white and blue, and decorated with a UN flag and four candles for its four birthdays.

Six Sydney schoolboys are the first students of what is hoped will be a new world language. It is Unolok meaning UNC language. Mr. H. Wilshire, senior language master at Sydney Grammar School, is perfecting Unolok now. All the principal words in it. Mr. Wilshire believes the Unolok language will help break down international barriers and, therefore, aid the cause of world peace. His six Unolok students are finding their studies fairly easy going. They expect to be fluent Unolok speakers and writers in three to six months.

DO YOU KNOW?

1. What does Popeye eat?
2. How many cents in a dime?
3. What is a zebra?
4. How many pounds in a ton?
5. What is a young cow called?
6. Who wrote Alice in Wonderland?
7. What is the largest animal?
8. Who wrote Little Black Sambo?
9. How many quarts in a gallon?
10. How many quarts in a peck?
11. What is a gannet?
12. What "comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb?"

Answers

1. Spinach.
2. Ten.
3. An animal with stripes.
4. A calf.
5. A lion.
6. Lewis Carroll.
7. The whale.
8. Helen Bannerman.
9. Four.
10. Eight.
11. An American Indian baby.
12. The month of March.

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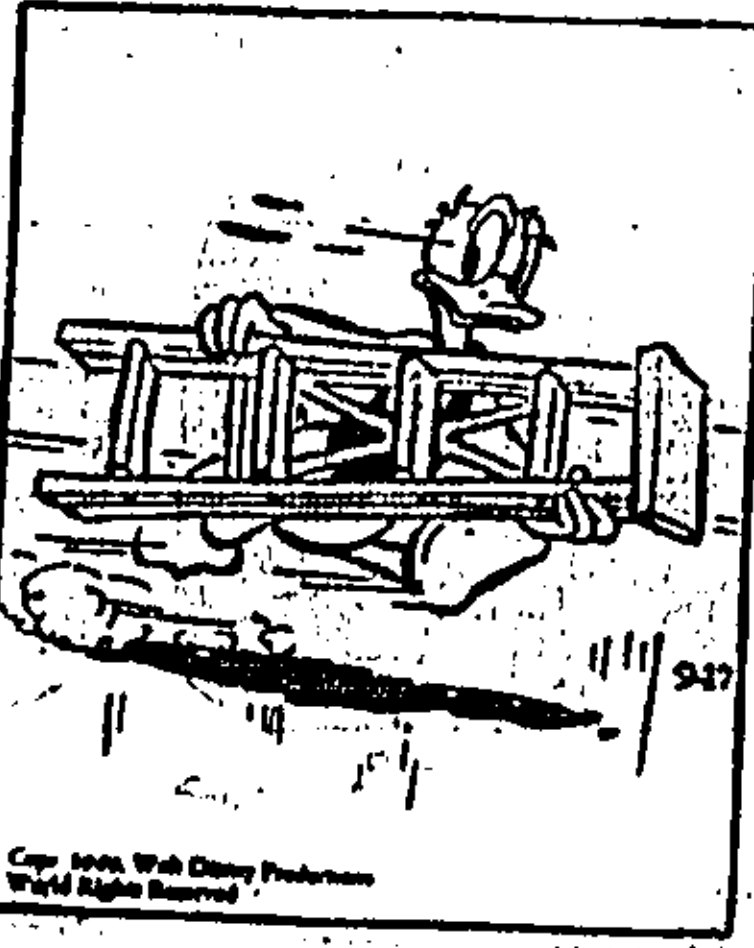
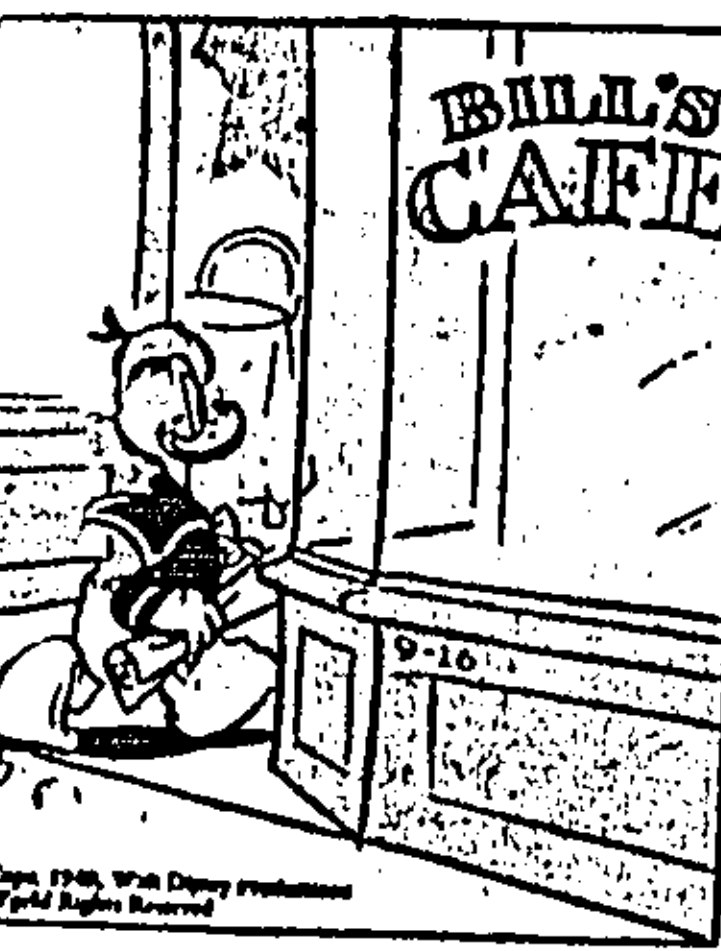
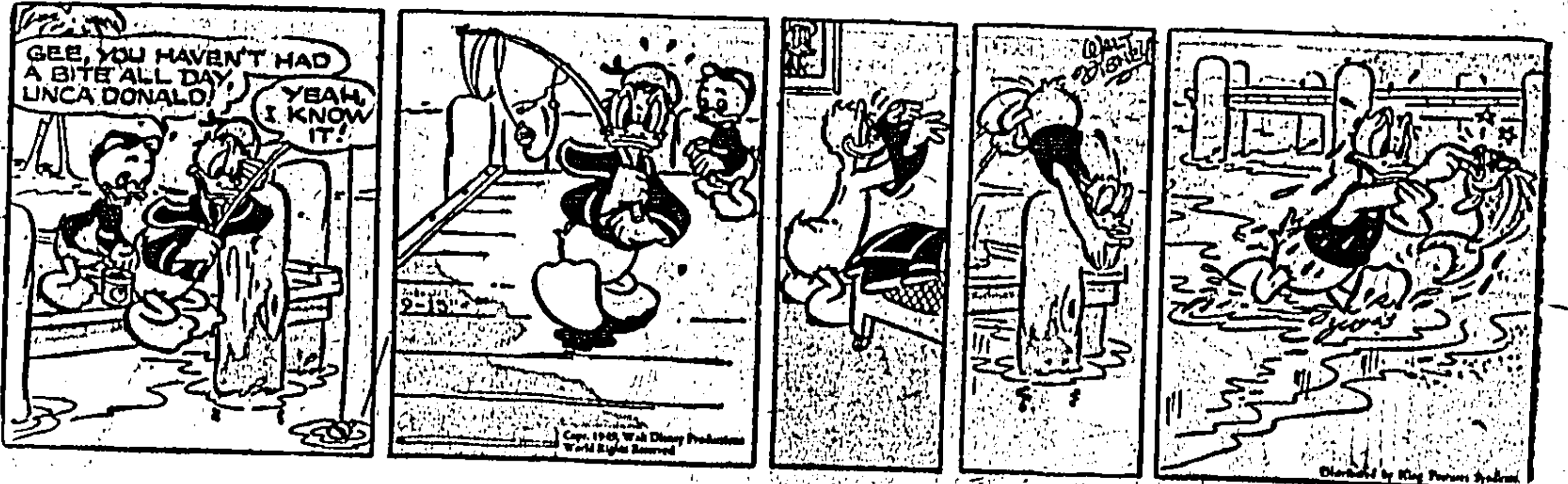
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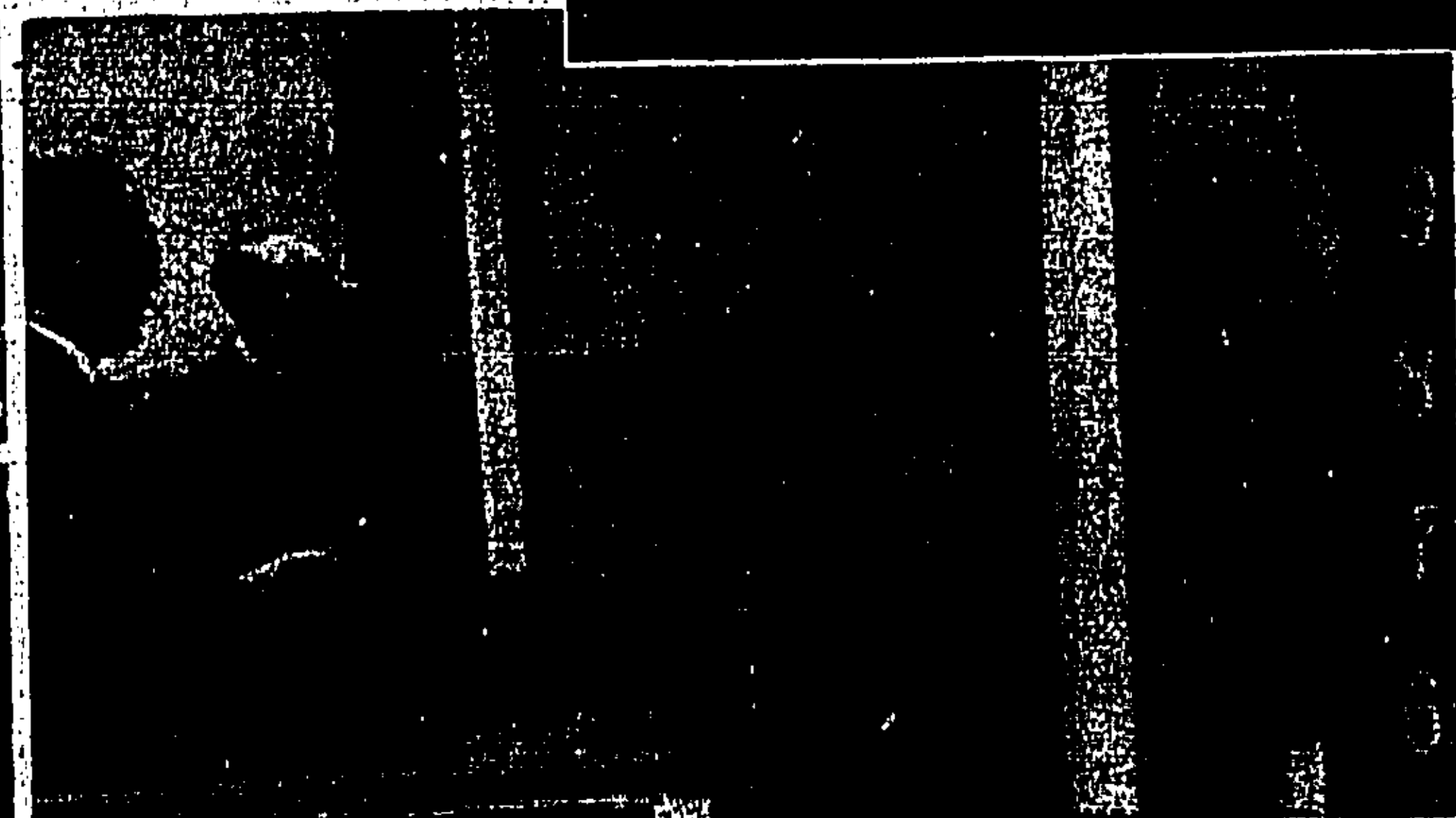
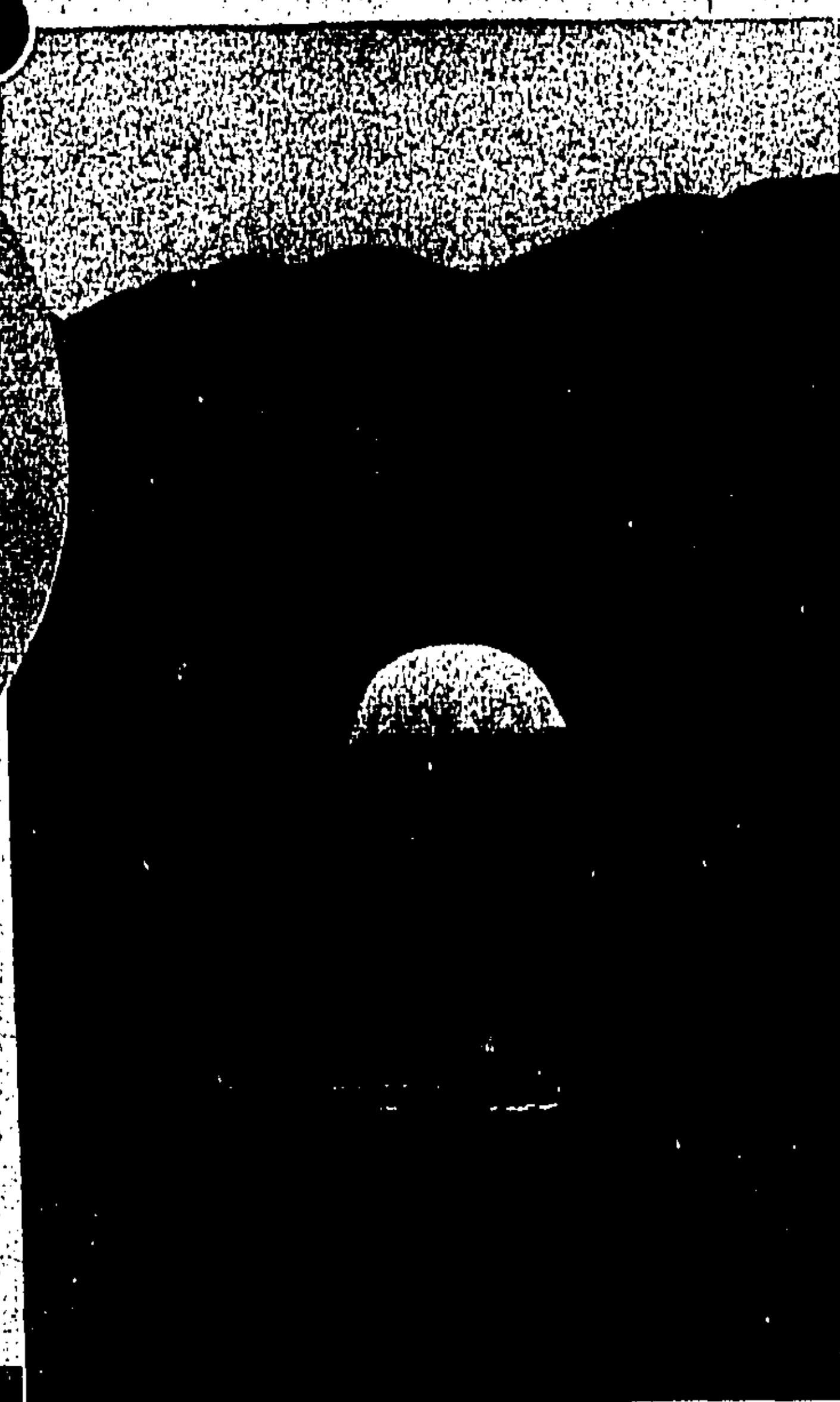
SUNDAY HERALD Pictorial

An RAF Dakota releases supplies by parachute in the New Territories in recent Army-RAF military exercises.—"China Mail" photo.

Ground forces pick up supplies dropped by plane during military exercises in the New Territories.—



This picture shows military supplies dropped by parachute about to reach the ground.—"China Mail" photo.

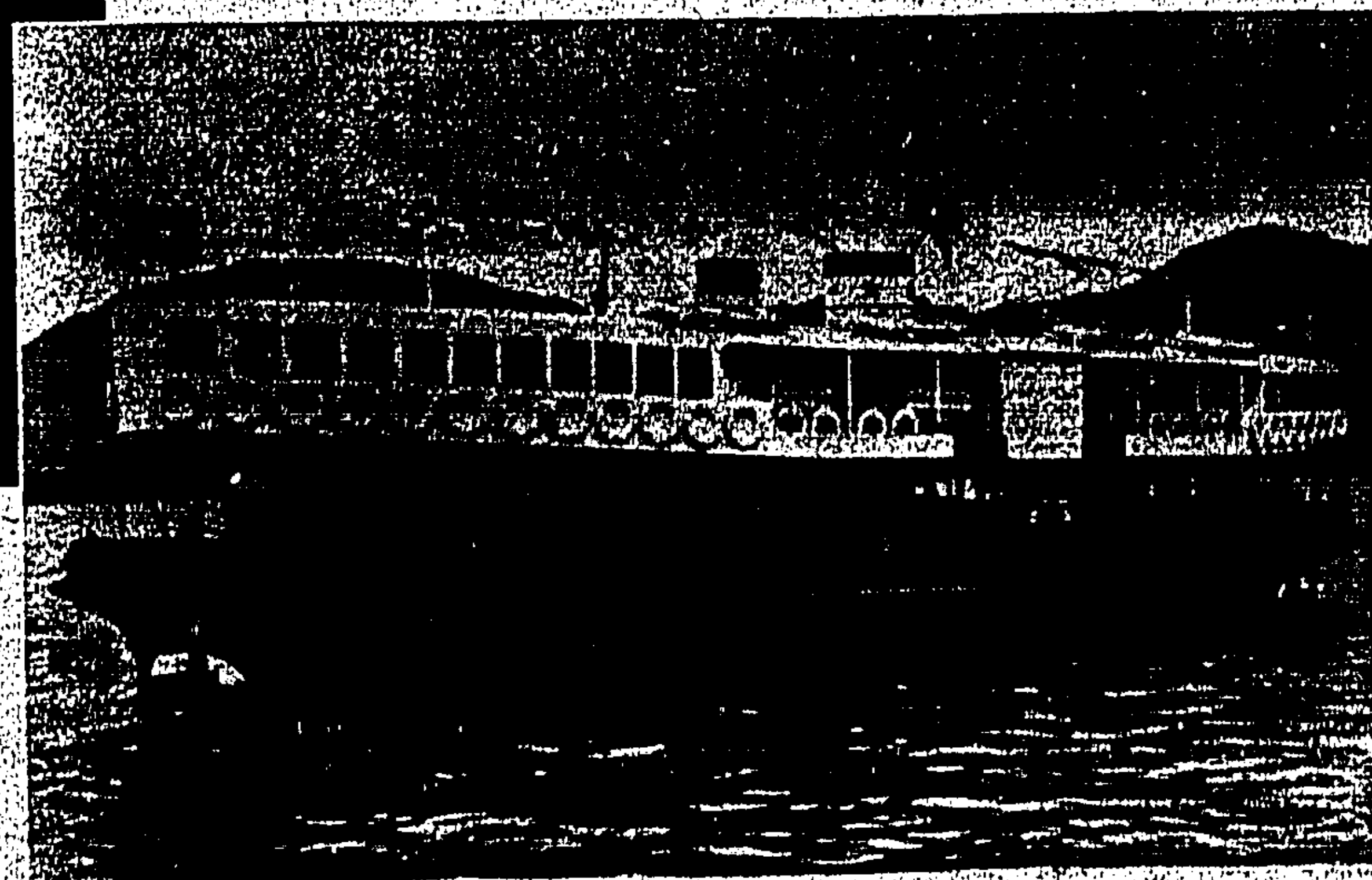


Mrs. C. E. Terry christens the Electric Star, re-serviced Star Ferry vessel which has been added to the Star Ferry fleet.—"China Mail" photo.



Mr. A. W. Frisby, Singapore's Director of Education, who broadcast over Radio Hong Kong recently on education in Singapore.—"China Mail" photo.

The Electric Star, latest addition to the Star Ferry fleet.—"China Mail" photo.





Mr. Ray West, former Chinese Maritime Customs Official, who is leaving soon for England on retirement.—"China Mail" photo.

Miss M. C. Knight speaking at St. Stephen's Girls' College Speech Day.—"China Mail" photo.



Photo taken at a recent reception for Mr. A. M. da Silva (second from left), Portuguese Assembly Deputy for Macao, at the Club Lusitano.—"China Mail" photo.



The main set up for a

KCC to function at Cyril Kotew



The Bishop of Hong Kong, the Most Reverend R.O. Hall, laying the foundation stone of the St. Stephen's College Chapel being erected at Stanley. — "China Mail" photo.

Photo taken at the Arts Club dance held recently at the China Fleet Club. — "China Mail" photo.



A scene from "Duet For Two Hands," Hong Kong Stage Club production which was presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre. — "Ming Yuen" photo.



Mrs. Kwok Chan presents a silver cup to the team which displayed the highest standard of sportsmanship in the summer soccer league. — "China Mail" photo.



This picture shows the excellent attendance at the St. Vincent de Paul "Al Fresco Fete" bazaar held last Sunday. — "China Mail" photo.



A little girl trying out her luck at one of the many stalls at the "Al Fresco Fete" bazaar of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. — "China Mail" photo.

Officials of the Chinese Football Association and guests of honour at a reception held at the conclusion of the summer soccer league. — "China Mail" photo.





Mr. Wong Chi-long being ordained a priest at the Hop Yat Church. — Photo by S. Y. Wong.



The Hong Kong rowing team which returned here after beating a Saigon team.—"Mayfair" photo.

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grant-ham, look at some of the exhibits at the Art Club exhibition. On the Governor's right is Mr. A. E. Nobbling, the Club's chairman.—"China Mail" photo.



Group photo of friends of Carol Ann Muir who gathered to help her celebrate her fourth birthday.—"China Mail" photo.



Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sai-ying, who were married recently at the Hong Kong Hotel. The bride is the former Miss Kan Oi-chum.



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RUSTY RILEY

By Frank Godwin

In The Mailbag



WILLIAM P. K. CHAN You are indeed a very good member for you have introduced a lot of other children to become members too. Many thanks.

SHIRLEY HUI Please don't be sad. Some of your stories might have gone astray, but I have some that will be printed. Now don't be discouraged but keep on sending in stories.

DAVID CHENG No matter how good or bad your articles may be, you'll have a fair chance in the "Children's Herald."

ODETTO SOUZA I don't think you quite understand what I first told you. All your articles can't be printed right away. Sometimes you'll have to wait for months, and after winning a first \$10 prize, every child had a fair chance to again win another \$10 and another and another and so on. I hope it is quite clear to you now.

JOAN COELHO Stories and poems will only be printed if they're all your own work. If the article is good it is sometimes worth more than two points. Excellent work will receive a special certificate worth five points, and when you reach 20 points you get a prize of \$10. I hope this is clear to you and I'm looking forward to receiving some articles of your own.

H.C.C. Members

NAME: Graham Collin Gardner
ADDRESS: Elliot Fillers Qts., Pokfulam, Hong Kong.
AGE: 11.
HOBBIES: Enjoy reading the "Children's Herald," chemistry and stamp collecting.

NAME: Ho Tun Yee
ADDRESS: 41, Queen's Road, 1st floor, Hong Kong.
AGE: 16.
HOBBIES: Dancing, sports and music.

NAME: Francis Jordt
ADDRESS: 300, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.
AGE: Seven.
HOBBIES: Fairy tales and swimming.

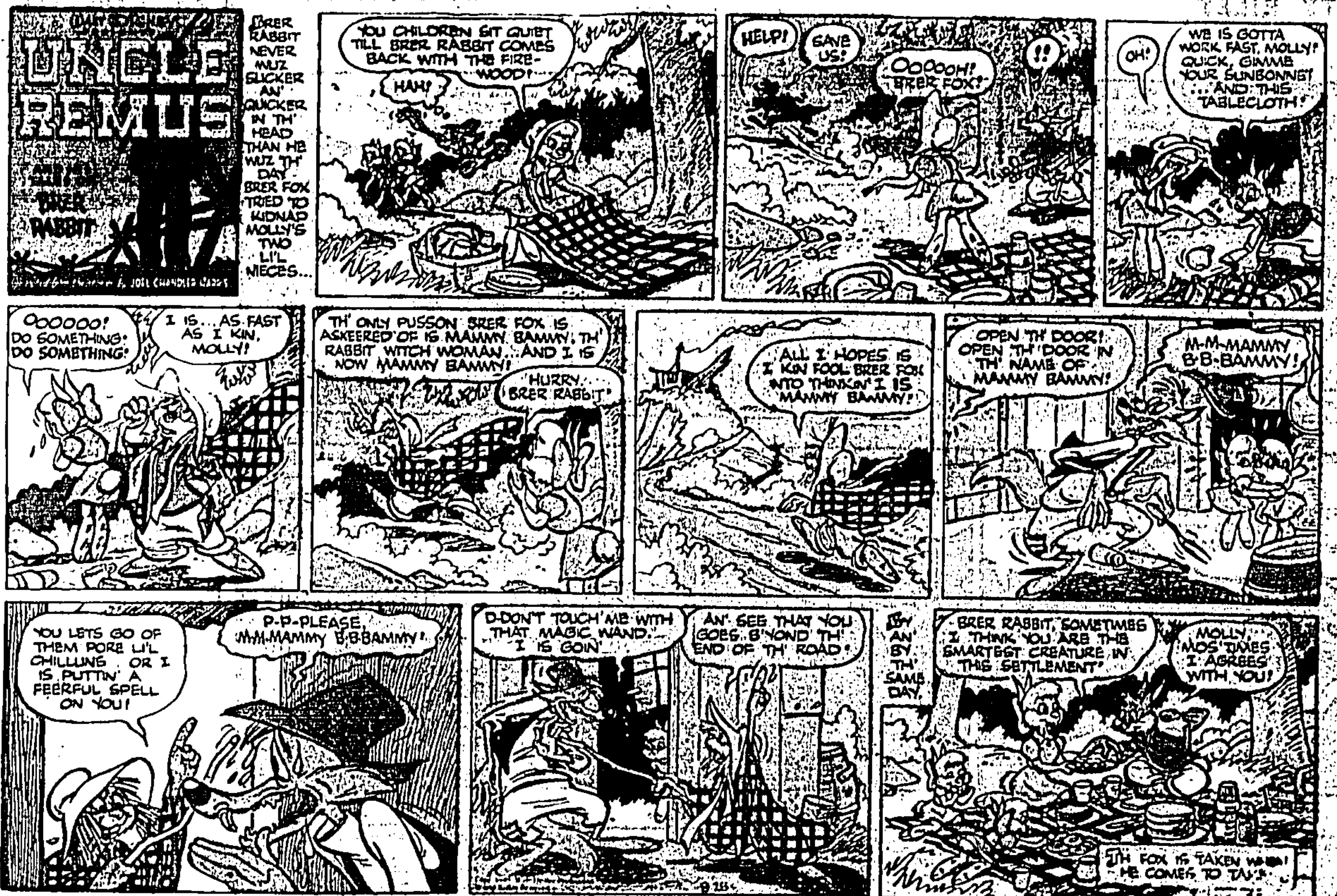
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AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Sewing, reading and collecting movie star photos.

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AGE: 10.
HOBBIES: Reading, drawing and dancing.

NAME: Irvin Kow
ADDRESS: 814, King's Road, Hong Kong.
AGE: Eight.
HOBBIES: Cycling, drawing, reading and movies.

NAME: Alexander Kuo
ADDRESS: 15, Observatory Road, 1st floor, Kowloon.
AGE: 10.
HOBBIES: Riding, skating, playing the piano and stamp collecting.

Tim: Did you find the Christmas pudding very rich, Tony?
Tony: Not at all! I found one threepenny bit in four helpings!



Autobiography Of A School Clock

I am a beautiful fine school clock. I have many brother and sisters. I am made of shiny, brown wood, and I have a pendulum made of copper. After I was made I was hung on the wall of the clock shop with my brothers, sisters, or rather my twins, because we are all alike. We usually imagined where we would go when we would be bought some day.

One day, there came into the shop a sister of the X Convent School. After looking round the walls where the clocks were hanging she turned to our corner and fixed her gaze on us. I was excited and my heart beat faster and louder, "tick, tick, tick." After a long gaze, she turned to the shopkeeper and said: "I want six of those nice looking clocks."

Nice-looking! My heart swelled with pride. So I am beautiful, after all I felt I could hug the kind sister for it. Then we six were taken down and placed in boxes. I blew my good-bye kiss to the other clocks, then went to sleep dreaming of my future.

When I awoke, I found myself being hung on the wall of a small classroom. Beside me are paintings and pictures. There is one picture, however, that I love most, that is the picture of the child Jesus, as I heard the sister explain afterwards. So, every hour

when my hands can be folded, I say a little prayer to Him. After looking at the pictures I looked down on the class to find 24 desks and chairs. So that night, I kept on wondering what kind of pupils this class would contain.

On the morning of September 9, I saw floods of girls rushing into the class. They are all tall, good-looking girls with healthy faces. One by one they went to their places, noisily, not quietly. Then class began.

If I have to tell every detail about these harum-scarum girls, I would have to spend my whole life doing it; but now I will just tell you the everyday doings of these wild cats. I hope the girls won't be angry at my calling them "wild cats" but they are truly wild, I assure you.

Everyday, just after the lessons begin, 24 pairs of eyes will be fixed on me from time to time wishing me to go faster. But, as I am a tricky old clock, I sometimes go slower, to the rage of the girls. At any lesson when I look down from the wall, I see slips of paper passing from hand to hand, sticking out of the desks and all sorts of whispering going on.

Just as one period ends, at one rush, every girl will be out of her place, and go travelling around the class laughing, talking and joking at the same time. But

when the teacher comes in, these wild travellers all go back to their places, silent as mice. I sometimes cannot help laughing at their behaviour.

One important thing to tell is that, though the sister winds me every morning, sometimes I become slower, so the girls have to make me faster. But, unfortunately it always happens that I am always slower on Friday during the first period in the afternoon, which is Geography. So on that very day the teacher had to stand amusingly in front of me and watch the girls standing on her chair, adjusting me. I really do not know whether to laugh or to cry at that time, everything seemed so comical.

Then, also, every day when I strike 3:30 p.m. the girls would gather up their things with such noise, no matter if the teacher is there or not, that if my hands were free, I would cover my ears. After so many tales about the girls I have to admit that my life of being a school clock in Class XX is enjoyable and amusing. I like the girls very much, in spite of their naughtiness, and I hope I can work for them as long as I live.

Honour certificate to Donna Tang of c/o. Mutual Trust Co. Holland House, Hong Kong.

Oh, For A Book

Oh, for a book and a shady nook—
Where I may read all at my ease.
Both of the new and old
For a jolly good book whereon
To look—
Is better to me than other things.

Honour certificate to David Cheng of 77 Morrison Hill Road, 3rd floor, Hong Kong.

LOST AND FOUND

Once there lived a girl who had a dog named Happy. The girl's name was Judy.

Now Judy loved Happy very much and said that she would never part with her. She used to take her out for walks every day and feed her properly. One morning Happy was missing. Judy looked and called but could not find her. Judy was very sad and after a few days Judy was still looking for Happy when she saw her lying under a bush. She looked at it as if she were dead. Judy ran to her and carried her home. When she got home Happy would not eat or drink. She was very sick and cold. When she got well again she was as good and happy as she was before. But Judy still does not know why Happy went out and how she got sick.

Honour certificate to Julia Fox of 183A, Mt. Kellet Hong Kong.

MERRY MOMENTS

Scene 1: Man looking for gas leak with a match.
Scene 2: Man finds gas leak with a match.
Scene 3: No man, no match, no gas leak.
Scene 4: No wonder!

Foreman: Do you think you are fit for really hard labour?
Applicant: Well, some of the best judges in the country have thought so!

Mother: Wendy, why didn't you get Mr. Brown a place at the table for dinner?
Wendy: But mummy, you said that he eats like a horse!

JACK: What's the difference between an elephant and a pound of sausage?
John: I don't know.
Jack: Well, you'd be a fine

Birthday Greetings

On December 20, ELIZABETH ANN ROSEMARY GRANT of 122, Caravan Road, Top floor, Kowloon, will be 13 years old.

On December 22, WILLIAM MOALEM of 18, Cameron Road, 2nd floor, Kowloon, will be 10 years old.

On December 23, EMILY MA of 47, Peking Road, 2nd floor, Kowloon, will be 15 years old.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Essay Competition Winners

Two first prizes of \$5 each go to Sheila Elms of 31, Robinson Road, Hong Kong and Henry Ho of 141, Prince Edward Road, 1st floor, Kowloon.

Six consolation prizes of \$2 each go to Arthur Hamid of 114, Tung Lo Wan Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong, Poon Kwong Tat of 69, Robinson Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong, Lim Shu Wah of 16, Cameron Road, ground floor, Kowloon, Cheng Kam Wing of 7, Morrison Hill Road, 3rd floor, Hong Kong, Yvonne Fung of 51, King's Road, 1st floor, Hong Kong and Jessie Childs of 45, Chungking Arcade, Kowloon.

One to send for a pound of sausage!

Small Boy: Please, mummy, may I have a diet breakfast?
Mother: What do you mean, dear?
Small Boy: Well, last night you gave me a light supper and I didn't like it at all.
Wanted: A room by a lady who's a steady hand.
For sale: A table for a man with carved legs.



Listening-Post

English-language programmes and news from the BBC in London can be heard in Hong Kong on the following stations:—

(All times are Hong Kong Standard Time)

BBC LONDON	
(GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE)	
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	16.54 metres
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6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
8.00 p.m. to 10.15 p.m.	16.84 metres
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1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
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4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
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RADIO SINGAPORE	
44.31 metres	25.877 metres
30.05 metres	19.61 metres

PROGRAMME NEWS

Story Of The Jet

The amazing story of Whittle's revolutionary invention of the jet engine is dramatised in a half-hour feature programme to be broadcast this week in the General Overseas Service. The programme, is called 'W.I.X.—The Story of the Jet Airplane'.

Stephen Eckard, who produces the programme, begins his story in 1928 with young Flight Cadet Frank Whittle—now Air Commodore Sir Frank Whittle—writing a thesis about a new kind of airplane engine.

Young Whittle thought that the propeller-driven reciprocating engine could never be developed sufficiently to produce the speed and attain the height required for the flying of the future. He thought an entirely new kind of propulsion was needed—supplied by a jet of hot air from a gas turbine.

It was not until 1936 that he was able to persuade an engineering firm to undertake the building of this frightening new cyclone of power. Everyone was afraid that it would blow up. It did! But they kept at it, just the same. Then came the war, but development of the turbo-jet went on in earnest as a war potential.

By 1941 the first plane powered by a jet engine had left the ground, and this engine subsequently went to the U.S. as the foundation of their development of jet-driven aircraft. This historic device has now found its resting place in the Smithsonian Institution at Washington.

Since 1941, developments of the gas turbine engine in aircraft have fully confirmed Frank Whittle's dream. Jet planes proved their worth during the war—they could keep pace with the flying bombs. They have flown faster than the speed of sound. And already, British engineers are flying a jet airliner capable of crossing from London to New York in six hours.

'W.I.X.' says producer Stephen Eckard, 'is truly a dramatic story which shows that the way still lies open for the dreamers, the visionaries, the pioneers.'

General Overseas: Monday, 4 p.m.

Sunday, December 18

General Overseas Service
P.M.
1.00: Introducing 'GENE MARVEY' With the Skyrockets Concert Orchestra, directed by Woolf Phillips.
2.15: 'TIME FOR WORSHIP' from Ealing Priory, London, conducted by Father Bernard Orchard.

B.B.C. Highlights

4.00 UNITED NATIONS REPORT

Weekly round-up.

8.15 COLONIAL QUESTIONS.

8.30 Derek Roy in 'HIP-HIP HOO-ROY'.

9.15 'JOURNEY INTO MELODY'

Robert Farnon and his Orchestra.

10.15 CONCERTO

A series of weekly programmes Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor, played by Jean Pougnet and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conductor Charles Groves. Programme includes Elgar's Overture: Froissart; Kodaly's Dances of Galanta.

11.45 'A CHILD IS BORN' 3: 'Was Jesus really human?' A talk by Professor T. W. Manson.

Monday, December 19

General Overseas Service

A.M.

11.15 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC' Cyril Stapleton and his Orchestra and the Malcolm Mitchell Trio, with Reggie Goff.

P.M.

12.30 'VARIETY BANDBOX' with REG DIXON Sylvia Marriott and Douglas Taylor, Beryl Orde, Roy Stevens, Harry Secombe, Marjorie Manners, C. Denier Warren, and The Stephane Grappelly Trio.

3.15 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL

The Palm Court Orchestra Directed by Tom Jenkins Tom Williams (bass).

4.00 'WIX—THE STORY OF THE JET AIRPLANE' Produced by Stephen Eckard.

4.30 Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards in 'TAKE IT FROM HERE' with Wallis Eaton, Alan Dean, The Keynotes, The Augmenters, BBC Revue Orchestra, conductor Frank Cantell.

5.00 'MURDER UNDER THE COUNTER' How Scotland Yard Gets to Work Written by Bernard Braden Edited and produced by Tom Waldron.

6.30 BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA

Conducted by Clarence Raybould Symphony No. 95 in C minor

Waltz Fantasia Haydn

7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING' 'PLACES OF INTEREST' A series of talks by Geoffrey Boumphrey 1: The Palace of Hampton Court.

10.00 Big Ben. RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.

11.45 COMMONWEALTH SURVEY

Tuesday, December 20

General Overseas Service

A.M.

10.00 Big Ben. Kim Peacock and Marjorie Westbury in 'PAUL TEMPLE AND THE MADISON MYSTERY' A serial in eight episodes by Francis Durbridge. 2: 'The Manila'.

P.M.

2.15 UNITED NATIONS REPORT by Bernard Moore.

4.00 CONCERTO

A series of weekly programmes. Grieg's Piano Concerto in A minor, played by Phyllis Sellick and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conductor, Charles Groves. Programme also includes Mozart's Symphony No. 38 in C (Linz).

5.00 Return Journey to the Old Vic

A plain garland of memories of the Old Vic Shakespearean Company. Written and produced by W. Farquharson Small.

7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'.

10.00 Big Ben. RADIO NEWSREEL.

10.15 'THE STORY OF GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL' A Radio biography in five parts by Christopher Hassall. The music transcribed and arranged by

Julius Harrison. Musical Advisor: Julian Herbage. The Philharmonia Orchestra and the BBC Chorus (Chorus-Master, Leslie Woodgate), conducted by Clarence Raybould. Singers: Emelle Hooke, Nancy Evans, Rene Soumes. Harpsichordist: Alan Richardson. Organist: Geraint Jones Part 4: 'Messiah'

Wednesday, December 21

General Overseas Service

A.M.

9.30 'FROM THE CHINESE' A programme of modern settings by Reginald Redman of translations of ancient Chinese Poems of the Manchu-Sung Tang and Han dynasties. Lian-Shin Yang (soprano), Eric Greene (tenor), Victor Harding (baritone), with a section of the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra, conducted by Reginald Redman. Manchu Dynasty, Sung Dynasty, Tang Dynasty, Han and Earlier Dynasties.

P.M.

2.15 UNITED NATIONS REPORT by Bernard Moore.

4.00 'THE STORY OF GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL'

5.00 'FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME' Haydn's String Quartet in B flat, Op. 103, played by the Martin String Quartet. Ravel's Introduction and Allegro for harp, flute, clarinet, and string quartet, played by Gwendolen Mason, Garth Morris, Frederick Thurston, and the Martin String Quartet BBC Symphony Orchestra Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult Jean Pougnet (violin)

Violin Concerto Delius

BBC Symphony Orchestra BBC Choral Society Conducted by Leslie Woodgate

Colonus' Fraise Lennox Berkeley (recorded repeat of first performance)

6.00 POETRY READING 5: Rupert Brooke—a selection from his poetry. Readers: Phyllis Neilson-Terry and Barry Morge.

7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING' 'The Tibetans of Lhasa' by Colonel F. Spencer Chapman.

10.00 Big Ben. RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.45 'BALANCE OF EUROPE' An economic commentary by Andrew Shephard.

Thursday, December 22

General Overseas Service

P.M.

1.00 Wilfred Pickles in 'HAVE A GO!' visits Hincley, a manufacturing town in Leicestershire.

2.15 UNITED NATIONS REPORT by Bernard Moore.

5.15 BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult Suite in F sharp minor Brahms/ Symphonic Rhapsody, Maudslayi Ireland

6.00 PUBLIC OPINION

A series of illustrated talks by Hugh Barty-King

6: 'But the Government must govern'

6.15 BBC OPERA ORCHESTRA

Conductor: Stanford Robinson Sylvia Fisher (soprano), Raymond Cohen (violin).

7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING' A selection of Show tunes played by Jati Hurst and his Orchestra, with Margaret Eaves (soprano).

9.15 'FOOTLIGHT FAVORITES' A selection of Show tunes played by Jati Hurst and his Orchestra, with Margaret Eaves (soprano).

10.15 'MUSIC FROM HANDEL'S 'NUS-SIAH' with Elsie Morrison (soprano), Gladys Ripley (contralto), James Johnston (bass), William Parsons (baritone), Arnold Greig (organ), the Royal Choral Society, and the Philharmonia Orchestra, conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent.

Friday, December 23

General Overseas Service

A.M.

10.00 Big Ben. 'MEET THE COMMON-WEALTH'.

10.30 'PRE-CHRISTMAS INTERLUDE'

Joyce Grenfell in 15 minutes of her own gentle satire.

11.15 -BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA

Conductor: Charles Groves Overture: Light Cavalry ..Suppe Ballet Suite: Nutcracker ..Tchaikovsky Hungarian Rhapsody No. 4 Liszt

P.M.

2.15 UNITED NATIONS REPORT by Bernard Moore.

4.00 Abraham Sofaer in 'TYGER, TYGER' Adapted by John Moore from his own short story. Music chosen by Margaret Lenihan.

5.00 'BRITISH CONCERT HALL' THE ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Conducted and presented by Sir Thomas Beecham Overture: Rosamunde Schubert Suite for Oboe and Orchestra Telemann, arr. Beecham (Solo played by Terence MacDonagh) Suite: The Great Elopement ..Handel—Beecham Ballet Suite: Punch and the Child Richard Arnell

Keep this page for use during the week.

6.00 INTRODUCING SHAKESPEARE

5.—'The Tempest'—Shakespeare's Farewell to the stage. An illustrated talk by J. B. Bamborough.

10.00 Big Ben. RADIO NEWSREEL.

Saturday, December 24

General Overseas Service

A.M.

10.00 Big Ben. 'THE MOTHER AND THE CHILD' A Christmas Anthology.

P.M.

12.30 CAROLS AND FESTIVE SONGS sung by the BBC Male Voice Chorus Conductor: Leslie Woodgate Stanley Riley (baritone).

1.00 TWENTY QUESTIONS' Anona Winn, Daphne Padel, Jack Train, and Richard Dumbleby, who ask all the questions and Stewart MacPherson who knows (almost) all the answers.

6.00 ETHEL REYNELL in 'SOLITAIRE' A One-Woman Revue. With Stanley Black and the Dance Orchestra. Book, lyrics, and music by Leslie Julian Jones. Produced by Tom Ronald.

7.30 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'.

10.00 Big Ben. RADIO NEWSREEL.

10.15 BBC OPERA ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS Conductor: Stanford Robinson.

Once again Sandy MacPherson at the BBC Theatre Organ sends a selection of musical Christmas cards to all his listeners Overseas.

11.45 -SANDY'S CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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The Tin Ago

"Why do all things in tin look exactly alike nowadays? Yesterday, in a dark kitchen, I sprinkled over the week's joint what I thought was table salt and it turned out to be a substitute for soap. The tins were identical."—housewife's Heart Cry.

We expect it has something to do with what is called the English way of life, or compulsory mass-produced uniformity in all things.

Only recently a very sought-after Putney plumber, named Boggs, had similar cause for complaint while dining with a charming little widow, named Mrs. Grabthought, whose sink union has been leaking abominably since mid-summer.

In the hope of inducing this chap to put her name higher on his waiting list, Mrs. Grabthought, who is a keen student of Food Facts, made him a highly recommended Fried Mutton Hash from what turned out later to be a tin of Armenian potted goat and a packet of Icelandic moth-balls. She had, of course, mistaken the moth-balls for imported Polynesian onions.

"What damned queer little Japanese fish-cakes!" he exclaimed, leaving the vitamin-impregnated mess on the side of his plate. "Still, don't worry, lady. You slip on your things and come out and have a bite with me instead."

So the two of them went to a typical English tea-shop and ordered the *plat du jour*—tinned spaghetti-on-toast with tomato sauce.

When it turned up, though, the cook had confused the tins during a power cut and all they got was a lukewarm ball of sour red string on a burnt piece of preserved bread.

We should like to be able to end this anecdote on a happy note by saying that this exclusive plumber married Mrs. Grabthought and gave her a valuable tinned washer for a wedding gift.

He didn't, though. She has never seen him from that day to this, and her sink union continues to drip with maddening regularity into a tin.

Let us be your golf professional

Some 40 years ago an over-dressed young parvenu, who had sliced his ball into a small grotto at Mid-Surrey, turned to a distinguished-looking spectator, whom he had mistaken for the great J. H. Taylor, and, exhibiting his pigskin bag containing some 32 gold-mounted matched clubs, said anxiously: "What do you advise me to take now?"

"Polson," replied the spectator. We repeat this story here because it makes a fitting introduction to a subject which, even among experts, is highly controversial. We refer, of course, to the correct use of the knee in golf.

How often on golf courses today does one see an ambitious beginner, with a braced left stance, attempting to hit against a protruding straight knee! The result is that the thighs become entangled, thereby impeding the following-through, because the descending club passes between the open legs until it is checked abruptly by the crossed knee-caps. On this vital matter our leading professionals are very explicit, although, naturally, their views are diametrically opposed.

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Over to You

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. Who declared: "Our armies swore terribly in Flanders"?
2. What kind of birds are found in a "wisp"?
3. Who gave London its first penny post? And when?
4. What was "transpontine" drama?
5. What was Buffalo Bill's real name?
6. Which city has been described as the "Home of lost causes"? And by whom?

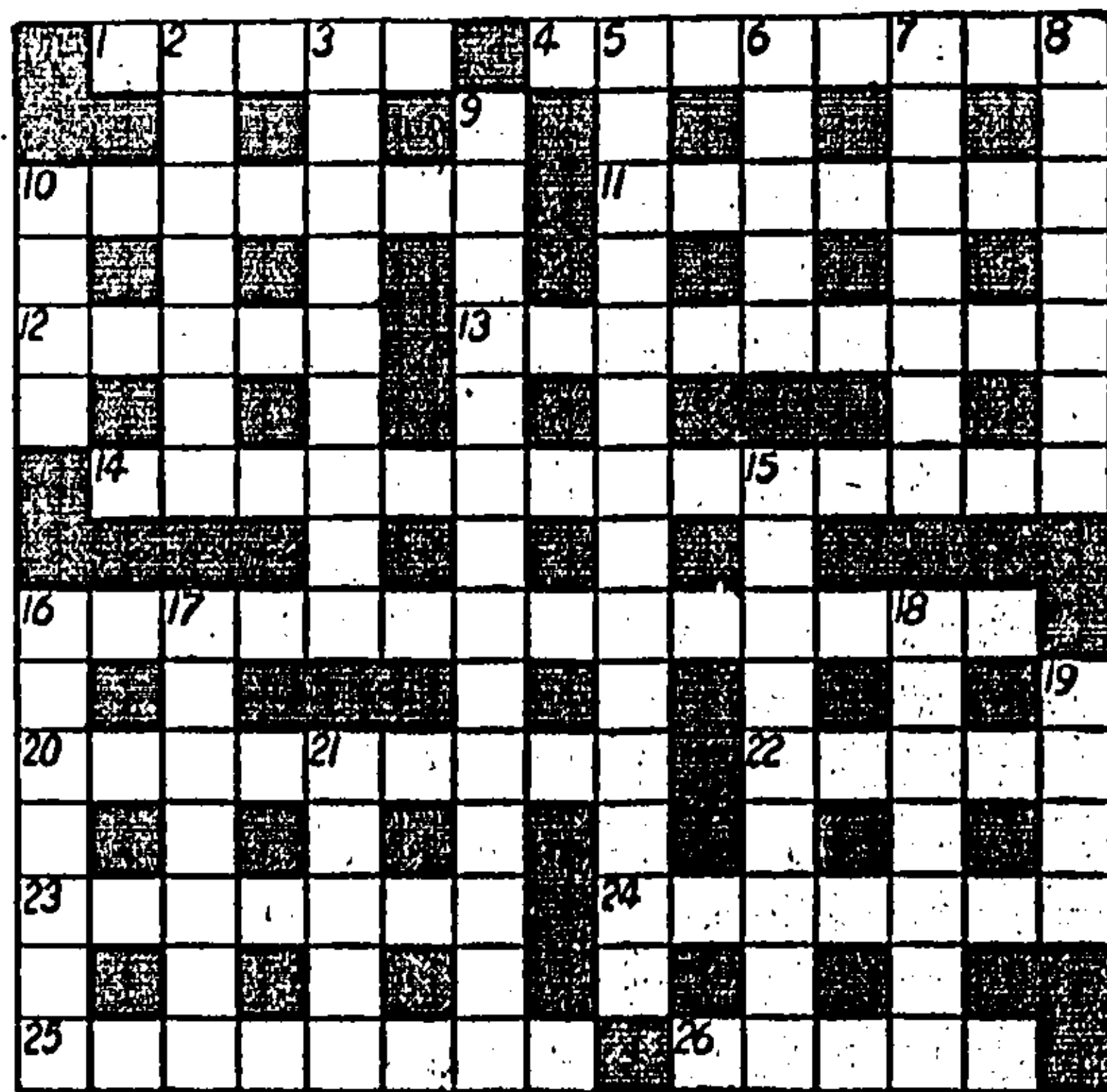
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NEWS QUIZ

1. In which two Dominions have the Labour Government suffered an election defeat?
2. Which is the latest Russian satellite country to stage a treason trial?
3. How many vetos has the Soviet Union used in the United Nations?
4. Whom did Hong Kong defeat in an Interport rowing contest?
5. The Cameronians are due in Hong Kong shortly. Where are they coming from?
6. What lowly-placed English football team humbled the League leaders, Liverpool, last week?

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THE SUNDAY HERALD CROSSWORD No. 138



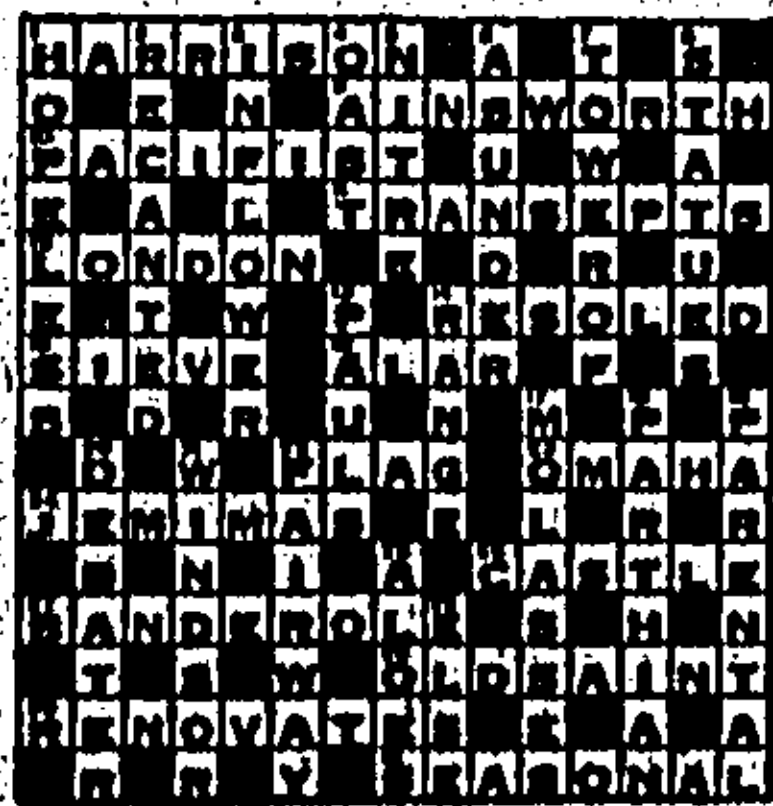
Across

- 1 Ruinous sort of linen. (5)
- 4 A soft one's required in a little while. (8)
- 10 Use too much soft soap. (7)
- 11 Dastardly act of course makes one give vent to anger. (7)
- 12 He has journeyed to see the Caaba. (5)
- 13 Else it's an indispensable thing. (9)
- 14 Her case was dramatically presented. (10, 4)
- 16 See 5. (5, 4, 5)

Down

- 2 Alternative up below. (7)
- 3 Ring in splay setting. (9)
- 5 These and 16 are the make-up for small boys. (5, 3, 6)
- 6 The unemployed can always find a job with him. (5)
- 7 Or a can I may use in the orchestra. (7)
- 8 Maurels called him Ariel. (7)
- 9, 19 Motto of woman who stays up till all hours doing family darning. (5, 3, 4, 2, 4)
- 10 The hurtful element in papier mache. (4)
- 15 There's a fatal catch in it. (5, 4)
- 16 A spare M.P. is needed here. (7)
- 17 Training encouragement to tug-of-war competitor. (7)
- 18 Executed an illegal deed. (7)
- 19 See 9.
- 21 You did not if you wouldn't take a dare. (5)

SOLUTION TO NO. 137



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BRIDGE

In the Northern Ireland versus England match for the Camrose Trophy in London the visitors lost heavily on slam bonuses. On the hand below they stopped in a game call which they just made while their opponents bid a slam which was made on a pseudo-squeeze.

S 9 8 x x
H A x x
D K x x
C K x x

S K 10 x x
H K 10 9 x
D 10
C J 8 7 5

N
W E
S
S Q J x x
H Q x x x
D x x
C Q 9 x

S A
H J x
D A Q J 9 x x x
C A 10 x

The Ulstermen bid and made a game in Diamonds. England's bidding was: South, Two Diamonds; North, Three Diamonds; South Three No-trumps; North, Six No-trumps. Twelve tricks were made. West's opening lead was the 10 of Diamonds. How should the declarer now play to give himself the best chance to get an extra trick as only 11 are in sight?

Actually he led and passed a round of Hearts after taking the first trick with the King of Diamonds. West won the trick with the King and returned a Heart. In the play of squeeze hands it is a principle that play should be advanced one trick by losing a trick early (which must be lost), as the declarer did here. The result was that when he played off all his Diamonds and the Ace of Spades, 10 tricks in all, there was only a three-card end-game left instead of a four-card one.

East and West then found the problem of discards far too difficult. The contract could still have been defeated had the right cards been kept. The declarer kept a small Heart in dummy as a card of menace so East must discard down to 2, 9 in Clubs. West should, therefore, keep three Clubs but can he be expected to throw everything to keep Clubs J, 8, 7 in the three-card end-game?

The defence might have been simpler if West at Trick 2 had switched to a Club lead.

(Continued from Col. 1.)

In the "address" (we quote from memory and at random from several imposing tomes) the knee-caps should hang loosely in their sockets midway between the thighs and the shin-bones. The hips should be tightly locked, the forearms fully extended, and the weight of the body supported on the ball of the right big toe. If the elbows are now raised to the level of the ears, with the left shoulder pointing at right angles to the line of flight, the player will be in the correct position to start the down-swing.

How much more interesting is the great Escoller.

"Well baste the pheasant," he says succinctly, and lets it go at that.

What perfect simplicity of style! What masterly terseness!

Yet had this noble cook been a golfer what interminable instructions he would have given us on how to cook the wrist and slice it!

MAO TSE-TUNG PAYS VISIT TO MOSCOW

UK DE FACTO RECOGNITION OF BAO DAI

London, December 16.

Britain's de facto recognition of the Government of ex-Empire Bao Dai of Vietnam will depend on the date of the British recognition of the Chinese Communist Government.

Hitherto it had been the intention of the British Government to withhold recognition of the Vietnam regime until the French Assembly ratified the Franco-Bao Dai agreement of last March.

But it is now considered in diplomatic quarters here that Britain believes she cannot afford to upset the precarious balance of power in the Far East by recognising the Peking Communists and not the Bao Dai Government in Indo-China.

Observers here consequently believe that if Britain decides to recognise the Chinese Communist Government, it will be the French Assembly which will ratify the agreement, making Vietnam an independent State within the French Union, and will go ahead with the de facto recognition of the Bao Dai regime without waiting for developments in Paris.

Final de jure recognition would of course, be covered by the completion of ratification formalities.

It was generally assumed that the course of action will be explained to the French and Vietnamese Governments before the British recognition of Communist China.

U.S. Generals In Saigon

Two American Generals arrived in Saigon today to discuss with the French High Commissioner, M. Leon Pignon, and Secretary of State, General Douglas MacArthur, the consequences of the Chinese Communist Government.

They are Lieutenant-General George Stuenkel, United States Air Force Commander in Chief in the Far East, and Major General Charles Willoughby, permanent assistant to General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Allied Commander in the Pacific.

They had previously visited Singapore for talks with Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commonwealth General for South East Asia, and had had Pacific defence talks there and in Hong Kong with British commanders.

They had also talked on the same subject with Dutch and Indonesian leaders in Batavia.

French civil and military officials in Saigon earlier denied reports of an agreement between the Indo-Chinese authorities and the Chinese Nationalist Government, Pao Dai, for transferring two Nationalist armies from China to Indo-China to fight against Vietnamese nationalist guerrillas.

They admitted that the Nationalists are attempting to contact the French authorities in Indo-China, but said that the French attitude remains that every Nationalist soldier entering the country will be disarmed and interned.

General Alessandro, French Commander in Tonkin, North Eastern Indo-China, reported today that 5,000 of General Pao's retreating troops had been flown by Chinese air companies to Hainan Island, South China.

He added that Communist regulars have now reached the frontier and more are expected.

French official sources said that not more than 20,000 retreating Chinese Nationalist troops have crossed the border into Indo-China.

(A Peking Communist broadcast today said: "The flag of the People's Republic of China now is flying over Chennankwan, a railway town on the Chinese frontier bordering Viet Nam, 80 miles North of Haiphong.")—Reuters and Associated Press.

Received By Stalin At The Kremlin ELABORATE WELCOME

London, December 16.

Mao Tse-tung, Chinese Communist leader, arrived in Moscow on Friday on a State visit, and at once fully aligned his Government with that of the Soviet Union. The Moscow radio said that on Friday night, a few hours after his arrival, Mao was received by the Premier, Josef Stalin.

A United Press Moscow despatch said that Mao arrived there at noon via the Trans-Siberian railway. Mao is Chairman of the Chinese Communist "People's Republic" which controls the country's 457,000,000 people. He was received with honours accorded to the head of a powerful and friendly nation.

Moscow Radio, announcing in the broadcast recorded here that Stalin received Mao on Friday evening, said that Vice-Premier V. M. Molotov, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Minister of Armed Forces, Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky and George Malenkov, also Vice-Premier, were present.

Mao's visit has destroyed any lingering doubts about the brand of Communism he supports. Moscow radio described in detail the elaborate welcome given him at the railway station by high Russian leaders, including Vice-Premier Molotov, Marshal Bulganin and M. Menshikov.

Ever since Molotov was relieved of his duties as Foreign Minister early this year, there have been unconfirmed reports that he is concentrating upon Far Eastern problems, especially the victorious sweep of the Chinese Communists to South China.

Mao, who is Chairman of the Central People's Government of the Chinese People's Republic, wasted no time in linking his regime directly with the Kremlin, as formerly opposed to the "Western Warmongers."

Mao declared "Long live the friendship and co-operation between China and the Soviet Union" at the end of a speech on his arrival at the Moscow railway station. He placed Russia at the head of the seekers of peace.

He said: "At the present time, the most important tasks are the strengthening of the front of peace throughout the world headed by the Soviet Union's struggle against the warmongers; strengthening of good neighbourly relations between the two great states of China and the Soviet Union, and the development of friendship of the Chinese and Soviet peoples."

"Plush" Treatment

Mao apparently travelled by train all the way from Peking.



MAO TSE-TUNG

The Moscow broadcast said he was met at the Soviet-Chinese frontier by Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, A. Lavrentyev, and representatives of his command of the Trans-Baikal Military District, and the deputy of the Soviet Foreign Ministry.

Mao's brand of Communism has not been in much doubt in recent months, although there have been continuous reports that he might turn out to be a Chinese Tito. During the last years of the war it was popular in many Western circles, even official ones, to describe Mao as an agrarian Communist, not linked with the Kremlin.

Mao got what Westerners call the "plush" treatment, when he arrived at the Yaroslavl station. He was met not only by Molotov, who greets only most important arrivals, but also by Marshal N. A. Bulganin, and the Deputy Foreign Trade Minister, M. A. Menshikov. Both Molotov and Bulganin are members of the

Politburo. The Deputy Foreign Minister, Andrei Gromyko, was present, representing the Soviet Premier, Minister Andrei Vyshinsky, who was en route home from the United Nations, after a two-days' stop-over in Berlin to discuss the development of the Communist East German state.

Mao's arrival in Moscow follows the almost complete consolidation of his victory over the Chinese Nationalists under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who has fled the mainland for Taiwan.

Kremlin Meeting

The important Mao meeting with the Soviet Premier, Josef Stalin, also comes only a few weeks in advance of Britain's expected de jure recognition of the Peking regime, and the special meeting of the British Commonwealth Foreign Ministers in Colombo, Ceylon, early in January, to study the Communist threat to South East Asia.

Only late in November, the Peking radio confirmed the establishment of a Far Eastern Committee to support the Communist parties and Communist-led nationalist movements in Southern Asia.

Western observers believed (diplomats when they said that there is little question about the agenda of the Kremlin meetings which will take place in the next few days.

They anticipate a thorough survey by Mao and Stalin of the present situation in China, how to consolidate the Communist victory there, and where to push next in the expansion of Communism to rule that vast country and its 400 million people.

The purpose of the visit, other than to cement Soviet-Chinese friendship, was not stated. But Western officials think that Mao may seek financial and military aid. In a recent broadcast he mentioned budgetary problems created by the absorption of surrendered Kuomintang armies into the Chinese Communist army.

There was no hint in the Moscow broadcast whether Mao's visit

to Moscow was on his own or the Kremlin's initiative. But the Russian Ambassador to Moscow, N.V. Kossolgin, accompanied him on the long trip.

Mao's Message

The radio said that a guard of honour was lined up at the station to welcome Mao, and bands played the national anthems of both the Soviet Union and Communist China.

The radio said that Mao replied to the official greetings with a message proclaiming Communist China's solidarity with the Soviet Union.

It quoted Mao as saying: "The opportunity to visit at this time the capital of the Soviet Union, the first great socialist State in the world, is a very happy event in my life. Profound and firm friendship exists between the great peoples of China and the Soviet Union. After the October Socialist Revolution, guided by the policy of Lenin and Stalin, the Soviet Government was the first to annul the unequal treaties with China which existed during the Tsarist regime."

Mao continued: "For many years, the Soviet people and the Soviet Government have rendered aid to the Chinese people in their struggle for liberation."

"These acts of friendship on the part of the Soviet people and the Soviet Government, which the Chinese people received during the days of their severe trials, will never be forgotten."

Important Tasks

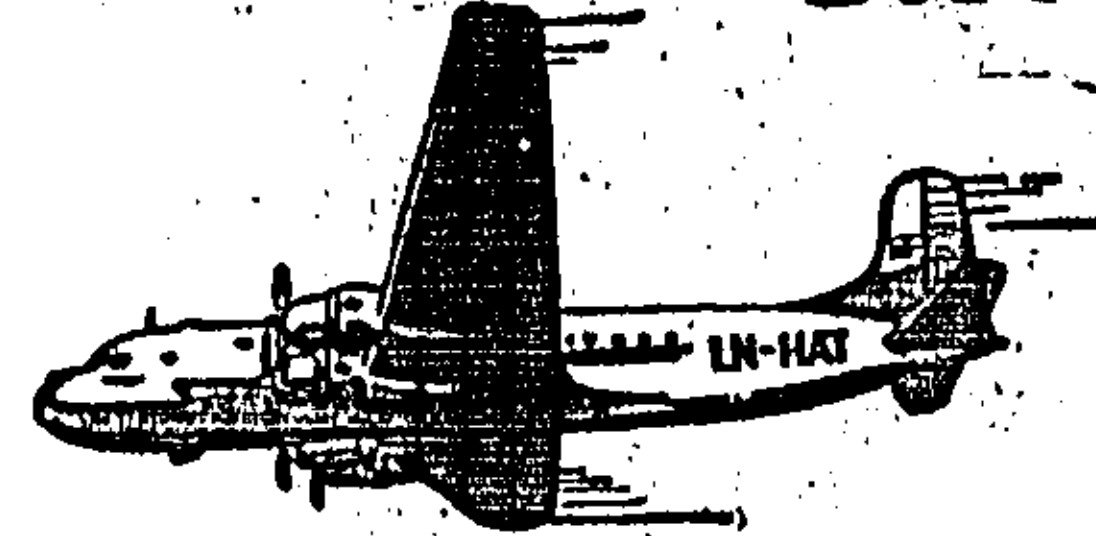
"At the present time, the most important tasks are the strengthening of the front of peace throughout the world, headed by the Soviet Union's struggle against the warmongers; and the strengthening of good neighbourly relations between the two great States of China and the Soviet Union, and the development of friendship of the Chinese and the Soviet people."

"Thanks to the victory of the people's revolution in China and the formation of the Chinese People's Republic, thanks to the joint efforts of the countries of the people's democracy and the peace-loving peoples of the whole world, thanks to the common striving for close co-operation between the two great powers of China and the Soviet Union; in particular, thanks to the correct international policy of Generalissimo Stalin, I am confident that these tasks will be fulfilled to the fullest extent and with the best results."

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NO RED TROOPS IN BURMA

Rangoon, December 16.

The Burmese Government spokesman declared today that there is no truth in the Toungou Radio's assertion that Communist troops have already entered Burma.

The spokesman repeated the statement made two days ago by the Foreign Minister, U. E. Maung, that there are no Chinese Nationalist troops within 50 miles of the Burma-China border.

The Foreign Minister, U. E. Maung, had earlier told Reuters that the Burma territory adjoining China is free of any Communist forces and loyal to the Burmese Government.

The Government, he said, has taken what precautions are possible to prevent Chinese forces crossing into Burma. Any who do so will be treated according to international law.

U. E. Maung, the Burmese Foreign Minister, was today asked in Calcutta about possible reaction to the Communist advance in China on Burma's internal situation.

He believes that the Chinese Communist Government will not try to put their hands on order without causing trouble to anybody else.

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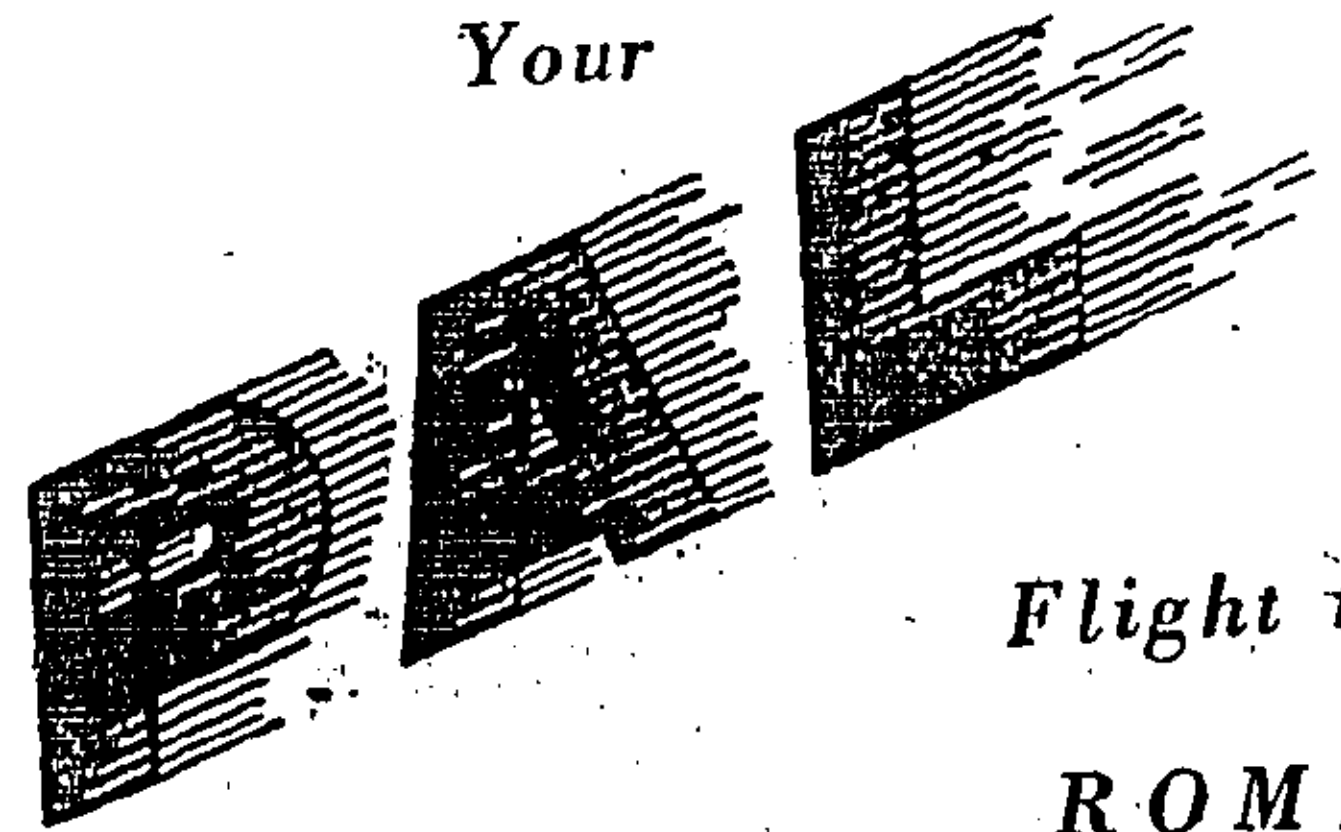
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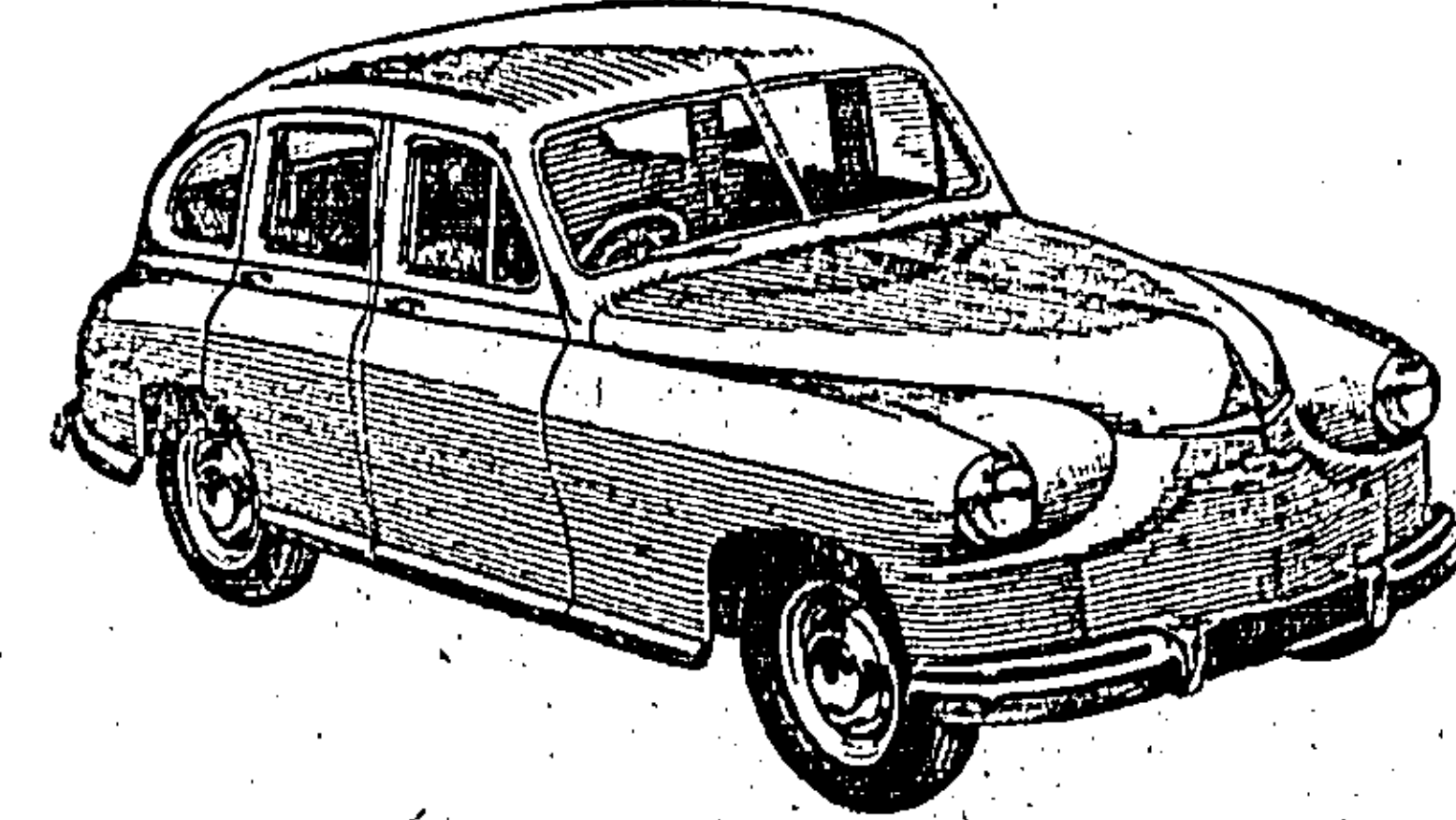
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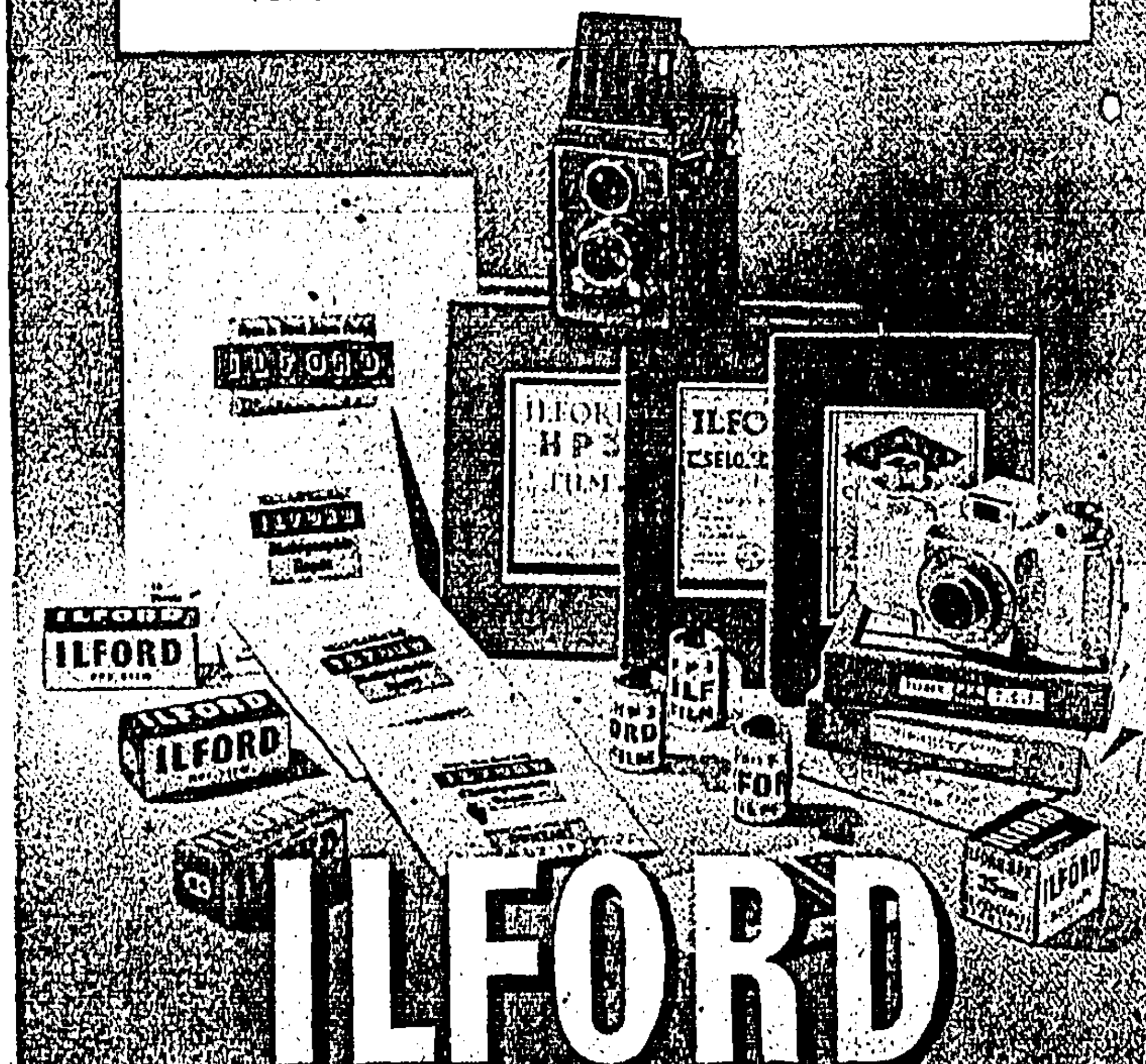


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FRENCH ACCUSED IN WROCLAW SPY TRIAL

Wroclaw, December 16.

France today was charged with attempting to strike at Poland's industry by planned sabotage in the Stato coal mines and steel plants, when four French nationals, accused of spying, appeared before a Military Tribunal here.

The accused, three men and one woman, were charged with having accepted large sums from French Embassy and Consular officials in Poland to collect military, economic and political information and helping in planning industrial sabotage.

The accused are Yvonne Bassaler, aged 29, former typist in the French Consulate at Wroclaw; Vyvyl Bukisow, aged 24, a French Consulate employee at Wroclaw; Josef Feldelsen, aged 50, a French worker in Wroclaw, and Albert Hoffman, aged 44, a textile mechanic.

A Polish Army major, chairman of the Military Tribunal, read a preamble to the individual indictments alleging that France had abused her diplomatic privileges by organizing through her Embassy and Consulates a spy network to obtain plans of aerodromes, the disposition and strength of Polish and Russian troops and also industrial plans as a basis for planned sabotage.

The defendants, looking pale after eight months' detention, set indifferently while the 14 type pages of the indictment were read.

Today's first witness, Bukisow, denied sabotage but admitted the other charges. He said that he became involved in French espionage when he applied to the French Consulate in Cracow in May 1944 for papers to return to France.

Later the trial was adjourned. The trial follows a series of arrests and expulsions of one another's nationals by Poland and France, which began with the arrest of a French Consulate clerk, M. Andre Robinson, on November 18, charged with espionage.

The indictment

Charged with the four accused are A. Kubisow, aged 26, a French-born Polish citizen, and

Wilhelm Hild, aged 48, a German mining engineer employed in Poland since the war. All six face the same charges.

The indictments accused the defendants of obtaining:

1. Plans of aerodromes, the disposition, strength and movement orders of Polish and Russian troops and the details of armaments and training programme.
2. Plans and statistics relating to the output of coal, steel and other basic industries to picture accurately the Polish industrial potential as a basis for planned sabotage.
3. Facts about the internal constitution of Polish political groups.

The indictments stated that as a result of the arrest in March this year of the four French accused, the Polish security police had been able to liquidate a widespread spy net and prevent sabotage in vital plants.

This is the first of a series of trials of French "agents." It had been officially stated that it is designed to disclose details of French espionage activities in Poland.

The trial is being given the widest publicity by the Poles. They are defended by Polish lawyers appointed by the Court.

Accused's story

In his testimony today, Bukisow said that M. de Mere was then Vice-Consul at Cracow, had asked him to study railway movements and to collect military and economic information.

Bukisow said that M. de Mere recruited agents from among French repatriates in Poland, tempting them with offers of a French passport.

He declared that M. Marcel Botic, French Vice-Consul in Warsaw, (now held by the Polish authorities in retaliation for the arrest in France of the Polish Vice-Consul, M. Szczerbinski) was a French espionage agent in Poland.

M. Botic ordered him to watch M. Monge, former French Consul in Wroclaw, and members of his personal staff. He added that he was commissioned by M. de Mere on one occasion to undertake a special task for the British Intelligence.

At this point the Chairman of the Court interrupted the pro-

U.S. TO CONTROL COTTON

Washington, December 16. United States cotton will be grown and marketed under rigid Government controls next year.

Producers of the crop in a 20-State referendum yesterday approved an Agriculture Department proposal to invoke pre-war marketing quotas as a means of preventing surplus production.

Quotas on cotton were last in effect in 1941. They were voted for the 1942 crop, but were suspended because of war conditions. The Department's cotton programme is designed to restrict plantings to 21,000,000 acres, or about 23 per cent less than was planted this year. This reduction is expected to result in a crop of around 12,000,000 bales compared with about 18,000,000 this year.

Under the control programme, each farm is given a planting allotment. The farm's sales quota is the amount of cotton grown on its allotment. Sales from excess acres would be subject to a stiff penalty tax—roughly 15 cents a pound or slightly more than half the prospective market price.

The approval of quotas assured producers of a continued Government subsidy of 90 per cent of around 28 cents a pound. If the quotas had been defeated, the price support for the 1950 crop would have dropped to 50 per cent of parity.

Partly is a legal standard for measuring farm prices, designed to be equally fair to producers and those who buy the products. Reuter.

U.S. EMBASSY FOR TAIPEH

Washington, December 16. The United States Embassy staff in China is preparing to follow the Nationalists to their new capital at Taipei, Taiwan.

The State Department said today that Mr. Robert C. Strong, Charge d'Affaires, and several aides will go to Taipei next week. Mr. Strong has been at Hong Kong since leaving Chungking.

Mr. Donald G. Edgar, in charge of the U.S. Consulate at Taipei, will remain there. Mr. John J. McDonald, the assigned Consul-General, has just left on leave to undergo medical treatment.—Associated Press.

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ANOTHER ENTRANT FOR BRITAIN'S MOST BEAUTIFUL CHILD CONTEST

Dramatic Aerial Escape By Poles

Bornholm Island, December 16.

Sixteen happy Poles stepped on the soil of this Danish island from a "kidnapped" plane today. Some cheered and some wept for joy at the success of their months-long plan to flee Communist-dominated Poland.

Two others, a passenger and a member of the crew, taken for the unexpected ride by the refugees, indignantly began making plans to return to their homeland.

The plane, carrying 15 passengers and a crew of three, left Lodz in Central Poland early today ostensibly on a regular flight to Gdansk (Danzig). On the way the plane changed its course and headed North West across the Baltic Sea to Roenne, on Bornholm Island.

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Going To UK

Three bewildered children among the refugees clung to their mothers' legs uncertain whether to shout or cry.

The two "outsiders" in the party, the radio operator and a 40-year-old Government worker from Lodz, immediately demand-

ed that they be returned to Poland.

The other 16 registered at Dams Hotel hoping to take off on Saturday for England to seek asylum as political refugees.

The Polish Embassy in Copenhagen is expected to demand that the airliner be held here.

The refugees, none of whom is prominent in Poland, do not care. They have made the biggest stride on the road to the West and none of them cares whether they finish the journey by plane, ship or train.—United Press.

NO RED TROOPS IN BURMA

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The Minister contradicted reports of India advancing a short-term loan to Burma against future shipments of rice.

He said that his Government is committed to a Commonwealth agreement which provided that there should be no deal with any country separately.

About the possibility of Commonwealth aid to Burma, U Maung said that it is for Commonwealth countries to decide "whether they are going to give the things we asked for. If we do not get aid we are prepared to do without it."

U Maung revealed that he will retire from politics to become Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Burma on December 20.

He will be succeeded as Foreign Minister by Momein Sawbwa, head of the Shan States.—Reuter.

Importance Of Pacific To America

Sacramento, December 16.

A call for the United States to guard its security from the islands of the Pacific was made today by U.S. Representative George Miller, California Democrat.

Addressing the Legislative Assembly here, Representative Miller said: "Those islands in the Pacific are of great importance to our own national security."

Mr. Miller has just returned from an inspection trip to the islands held in trust by the United States—Associated Press.

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Private Lives No. 12 -- The Attenboroughs

THE HAPPY KIDS WHO BECAME FILM IDOLS

By NORMAN PRICE

When Richard Attenborough's film "The Man Within" was sent to America the distributors in New York cabled asking that the young star's name be shortened. It would not fit publicity banners.

The Boulting Brothers cabled back "Get bigger banners".

It is not every young man whose boss treats him so. Particularly as it was not long ago that Richard Attenborough, star of "Brighton Rock", "The Guinea Pig", "London Belongs to Me", and his actress wife Sheila Sim ("A Canterbury Tale", "Great Expectations", "The Guinea Pig", etc.) had to wait on their own doorstep with bags packed until the Boulting wedding gift cheque for £25 arrived, so they could start their honeymoon.

Today this young pair possess a green, glittering Bentley sports coupe, and a reputation that multiplies of awkward, long-legged, envious hangers-on.

Demands for autographs, Whispers, "There go the Attenboroughs", "Gorgeous little house in Chelsea", Noel Coward will halt in a theatre, and the name "Hello, Dickie, Sheila!" Mr. Laurence and Lady Olivier smile at them.

A house party given by the Attenboroughs, you might expect a failure of privacy, conversation, and a few awkward, long-legged, envious hangers-on.

Take an afternoon and come with me to dinner. You may be surprised.

The house in Chelsea street will not alarm you. It is a four-deck but just around the corner. Sheila answers the doorbell. Dickie is still upstairs, slugging into one of his two suits. Not evening clothes, he saves those for duty occasions. He comes downstairs in his healthy legs.

Sheila-Like A Kid Sister

They are both a little nervous, yet, of you. They look instinctively young. Sheila, exactly like a young girl, has Dickie's own wonder if he has finished his homework.

For the first hour they will play host and hostess with meticulous care, the atmosphere rather like a mess dinner at an officer cadet's training unit. The meal is pleasant. Cut-glass tumblers, slender wineglasses.

Dickie carefully opens a white Chablis, tastes it ceremoniously before presenting the first guest's glass. Sheila, hostess at the faintest of the resplendent table, accepts a glass of wine and raises it in duty. By the end of her meal it is virtually untouched.

Alone, they drink water, orange-juice, do not bother to smoke, although their profession has required both to be able to handle a cigarette.

Nor do they eat hugely. One boiled potato, with their main course for Sheila; two potatoes for him. The dining-table, in an alcove up a couple of steps off the main entrance hall, and beneath a delicate crystal chandelier, gleams impressively. A Matthew Smith oil painting hangs over the fireplace.

All Britain's film stars seem to be collecting Matthew Smith's.

Put an ordinary fruit-and-flowers picture in a fire-bucket, swirl the water round, and you have the general effect of a Matthew Smith.

His costly colourful vortices dominate the drawing rooms of nearly every leading guild of British motion pictures.

But perhaps the Attenboroughs really do know about these things. On spare afternoons, they set out in cold blood to visit art galleries, even when it is not raining, keep the catalogues to sign over ecstatically. "Velasquez—out of this world!" "Mmm—the VO-LUME in that dress!"

Dickie Loves The Drum-Beats

After dinner, which has come up from the below-stairs kitchen on a serving hatch by Sheila's elbow, coffee in the drawing-room, white music curtains at the evening breezes of Chelsea, fan the geraniums in a window-box. Purple and white sweet peas in a little alabaster bowl not coolly.

By this time Dickie feels he knows you well enough to strip off the jacket of his brown glenquilted check suit with its white silk pocket hanky, loosen his brown plain tie, and sit in his shirt-sleeves.

Sheila has watered the geraniums, stroked them gently with long white fingers. "They need so-o-o much water," she says softly in a voice that seems wasted on mere geraniums.

Her husband turns on the switch of the huge, automatic gramophone, that plays 12 records very loudly. Sheila, who was a girl from London, and now a wooden cabinet stacked with symphonies and concertos, croonies even "hop."

"I used to have a pick-up," Dickie says earnestly, "but it didn't reproduce the drum-beats."

Sheila's lips are shaped in a subtle long-suffering smile. She believes he is really a frustrated orchestra conductor.

When he is playing his orchestra and shaving with his electric razor you can't talk to him until you switch off the power in the cellar!

All his other hobbies Sheila shares. The local cinema, or football each Saturday fortnight, in the Chelsea Football Club stand, when they thump each other's knees and yell. Dickie is president of the Chelsea Supporters' Club.

Sometimes the Chelsea players troops into the Attenborough drawing-room, clutch teacups, munch fruitcake. Dickie and Sheila sit, proud to be important enough to have the Chelsea footballers to tea!

Honeymoon Home Was Blitzed

He was still in the RAF (sergeant air-gunner) when they moved into their Chelsea street house nearly four years ago. They were just 21, just married. Sheila had worn the blue zircon froth ring on her middle finger to keep the engagement secret. Today it is still too big for her wedding finger, keeps slipping round (Her other jewellery is a modest silver wrist-watch).

Their honeymoon house was almost in ruins, blitzed. The roof was torn open. Stars winked

prettily through the rafters. Just as pretty, but less welcome, winked raindrops.

They telephoned a domestic agency. Next day to Coulson, street marched a tall, thoughtful housekeeper named Marion Williams. She had been warned her future employers were film stars (Dickie had made "Brighton Rock") and just qualified for (little). Stately Miss Marion Williams did not reckon much of film stars. She preferred good books to the cinema.

the size of mine—and him supposed to be a film star! But the thing Dickie is self-conscious about is the large cupboard in the room he calls "the office," where his Fan Club magazines and photographs are stored.

If it were not for his secretary, Richard Attenborough's Fan Club would be chaotic. He cherishes his admirers, but has not yet quite got beyond the suspicions that they may be pulling his leg.

Secretary Arthur Goodbourn is big, broad-shouldered, with tousled brown hair, black horn-rimmed spectacles and steadfastly good-humoured face.



THE ATTENBOROUGHS

When she got to the house her torches seemed confined. The hallway was blocked with wardrobes, tables, mattresses. It looked as if the Attenboroughs were enduring a siege.

In shirt-sleeves, Dickie was perched on the wrecked roof nailing wind-floppy tarpaulin across gaps. Sheila, smudged on nose, sat among kitchen debris with a crumpled cookery book, seeking treatment for salted cod.

Miss Williams decided it was not a lady-house-keeper's job to cope with such a household. She withdrew broodingly. The Attenboroughs watched her go.

Miss Williams got half way down the street before she turned back. "I'll just give you a hand to straighten things out," she conceded. "Good old Floesie!" boomed Dickie, warmly. Sheila sniffed gratefully and smiled.

That was more than three years ago. Miss Williams is still there.

Sheila has a long wardrobe stuffed with clothes. Honoria Plesch, designer for Boulting Brothers, organises her gowns and ensembles. She has them made up at a cosy little dressmaker's.

"I am rather ashamed," admits Sheila, "that my poor old man's clothes cupboard is less than half

He was at school with Attenborough (Wyggeston Grammar School). When Dickie failed his matric successful Arthur shook his head sadly. (So did Dickie's father, a don at Emmanuel College and now Principal of Leicester University College.)

Junk-Shop Ring For Luck

But just to show how these things can go, within six months Dickie had won the supreme scholarship to the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. While he was later starring in "Brighton Rock," his school pal Arthur Goodbourn, then clerk in a city council office, came to visit his dressing-room, picked up a few fan letters, and said firmly "You need a secretary."

"Nothing like or worries Arthur," boasts Attenborough, who wins loyalty without trying. For himself Attenborough believes that a ring bought from a junk shop in Palmers Green by producer Ronald Kay, who gave him his first chance at the intimate Theatre, has much to do with his success. He always wears it, if not on his finger, then around his neck on a string. (Sheila similarly carries a little silver horseshoe.)

The Boulting Brothers think differently. They know if they give a script to young Dick Attenborough, requiring him to act a slum-born gangster, his eyes slowly grow guinea as his soul shrivels. Sheila swears that during "Brighton Rock," she could detect a sinister sickness in Dickie's eyes that made her dread to be alone with him!

Attenborough Jun. Is On The Way

Ask him to be a perky young RAF hero, and the sensitive watchfulness of the volunteer for death moods his lips. It isn't just acting. Some think there is something psychic in it. For "The Guinea Pig" Attenborough became a 15-year-old schoolboy, convincingly. And he is 25 years old.

But when he is being just himself he is a nice, clean-hearted, sincere and generous young man, with a wife to match. As the Attenboroughs grow older they will probably have to do a lot of listening to other people's troubles. For they have that kind of nature.

Soon they are going to have a baby. Wish them all the luck! I certainly do!

Terrorising Eastern Europe

(Continued from Page 14)

Such a mental disposition as it yields never existed in the world before Lenin and Stalin. It is not merely negative—a censorship—but positive—a ceaseless propaganda operating daily and hourly on the eyes and ears of the people through films, radio, plays, books, schools, colleges, newspapers and platforms, all telling one tale—the Government's tale.

Think of what happened in Russia itself before the war—the three despotic "purges" of Communist politicians and generals carried out by and for Stalin. They were, as far as we can be judged, complete successes from his point of view, and why? Because his propaganda was able to blacken the record of his victims, and cause killings prima-facie odious to be almost universally approved. By repeating the same methods he may expect the same success.

Stalin's only failure thus far has been Tito. But Tito was and is in a unique position, since he has his own country's army and police under his personal control, and the Russians have had no excuse for keeping troops in Yugoslavia, which is neither an enemy country nor on the Russian lines of communication to one.

Elsewhere there is no apparent obstacle to a process which, if continued long enough, should end in the entire Russification of nearly 100,000,000 white Europeans. Can the Western Powers do anything about it? It is not easy to see what. The Stalin policy violates the Charter of United Nations, but so does, in effect, the whole system of Communist government.

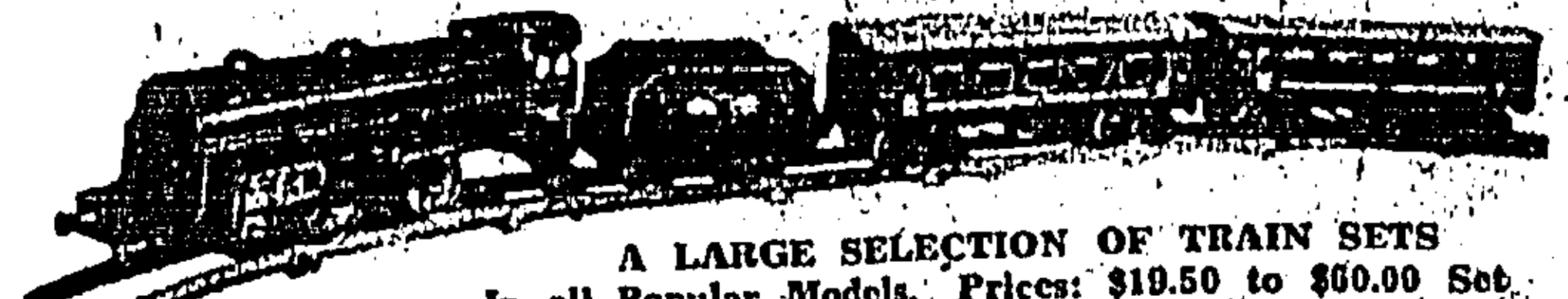
Perhaps the most practical problem for the West to consider is still how best, when the need arises, to support Tito. The elimination of this one barrier to Stalin's success would mean so much for him that he seems almost bound to attempt it ultimately.

But it will not be easy for us to protect Tito without damaging our prestige, so rooted throughout Eastern Europe is the propaganda-led legend about Western "imperialism." Most things would become easier for us, if we could find more and better means of getting a hearing behind the Curtain.

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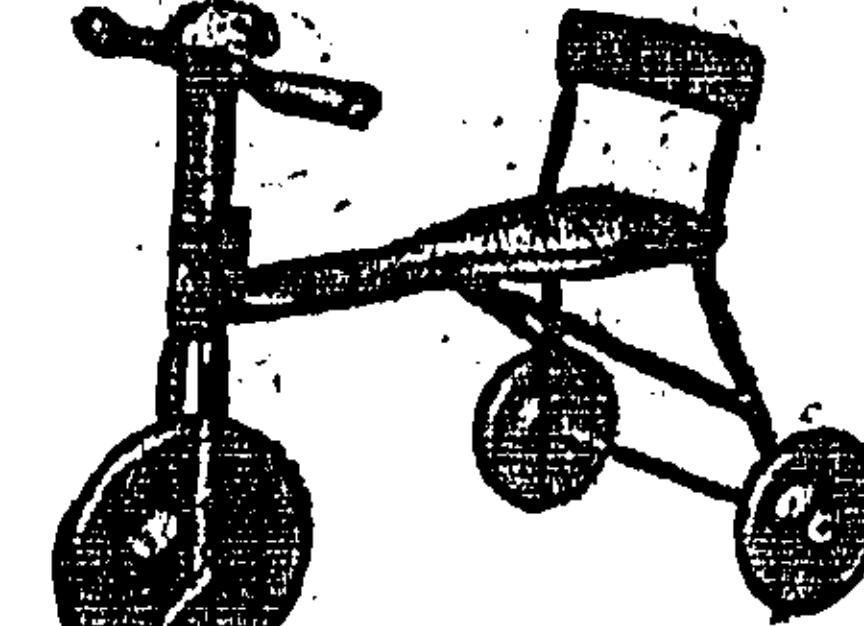
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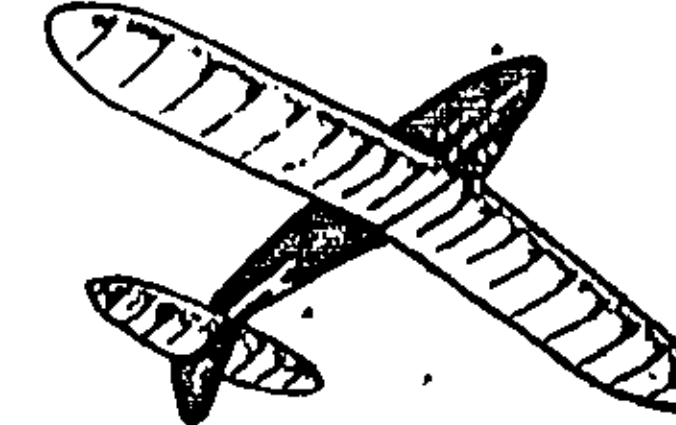
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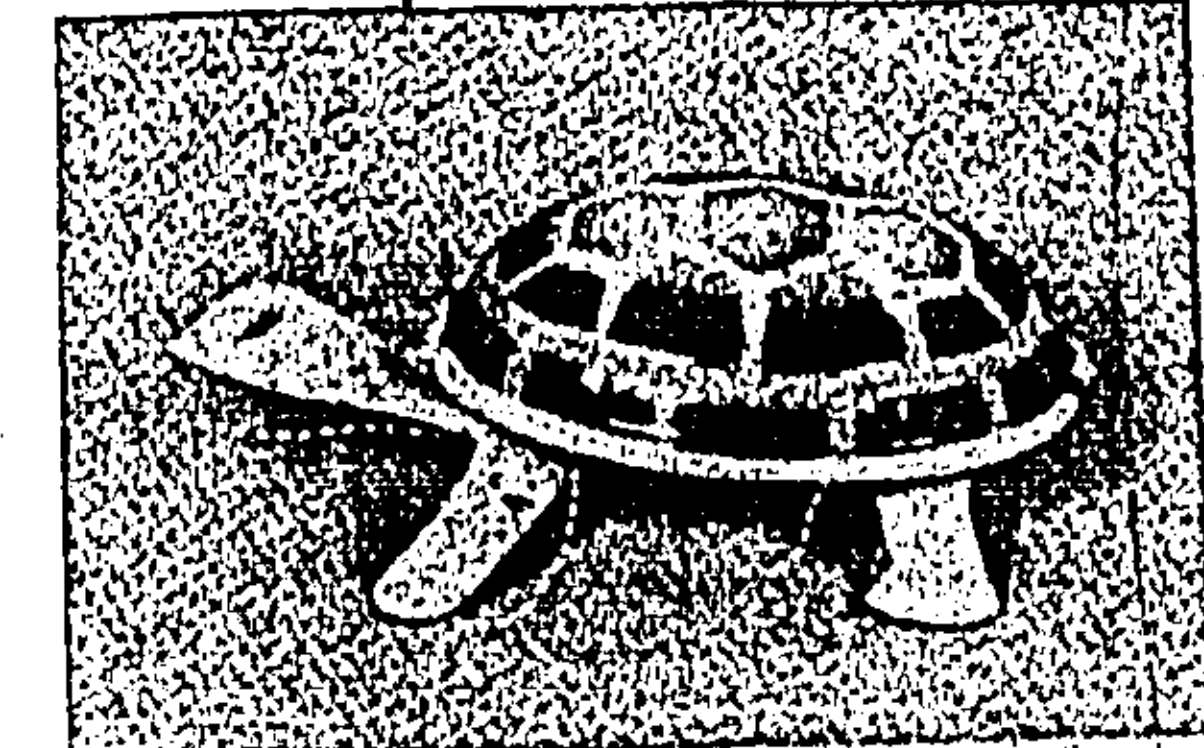
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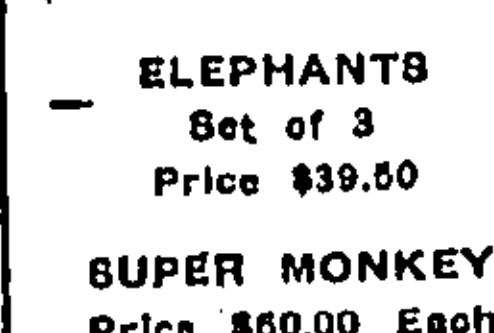
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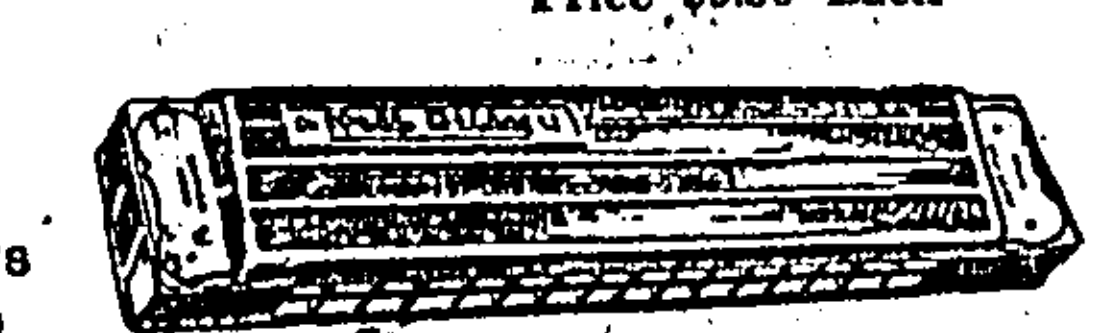
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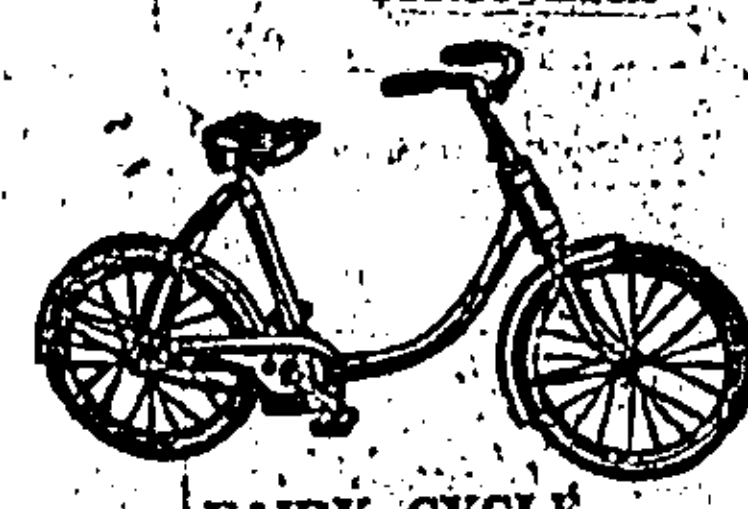
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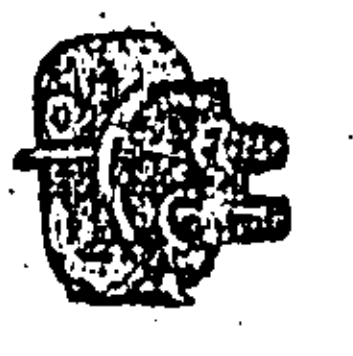
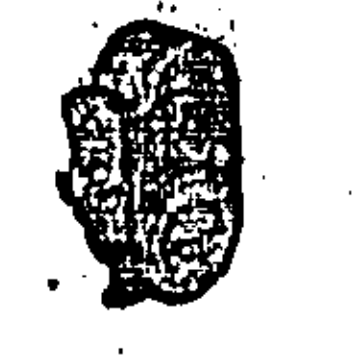
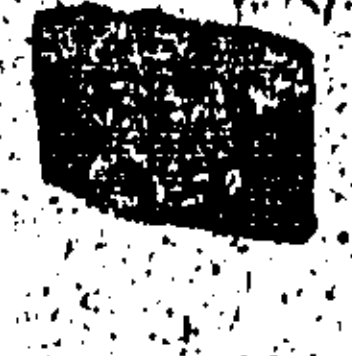
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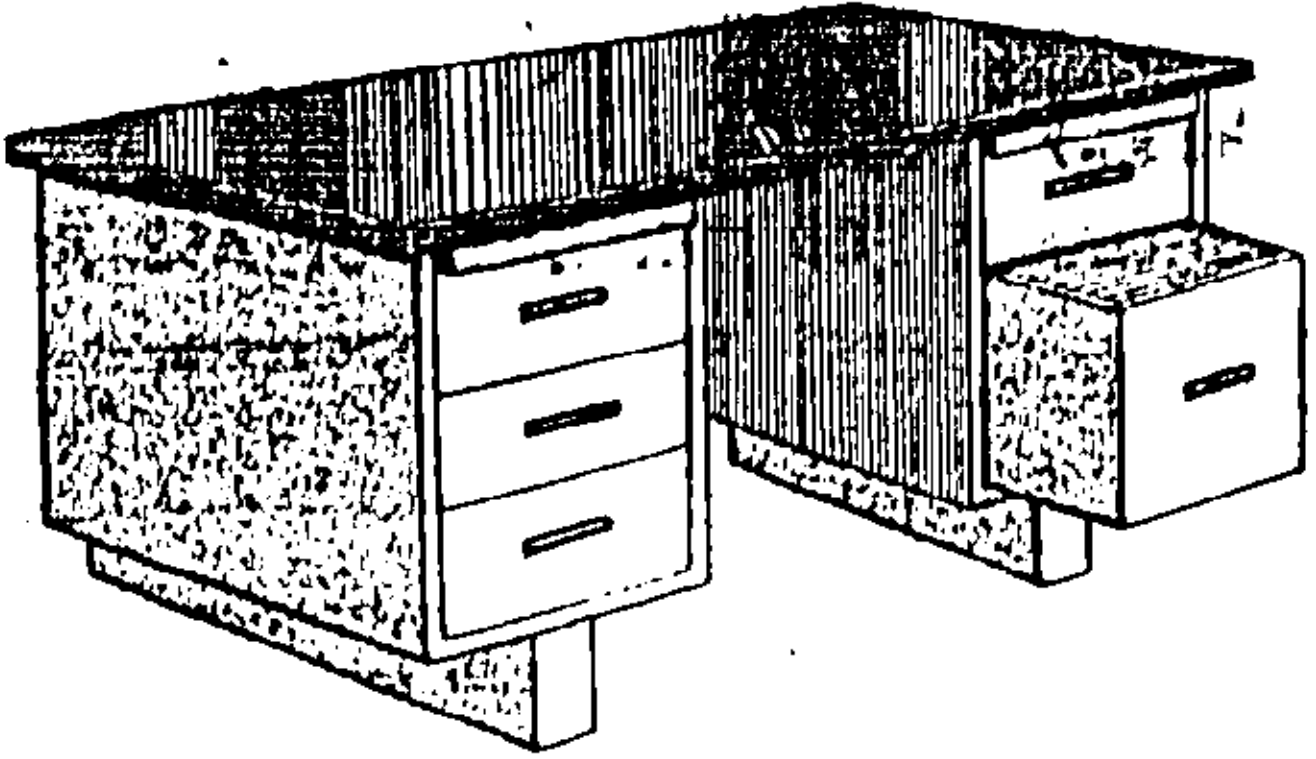
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AUSTRALIAN LETTER

Sydney, December 6. During the regime of the now defunct Labour Government the trades-unions have been a law unto themselves and one way and another have proved a costly item in the national economy. Exporters estimate that the waterside workers' ban on cargoes to Indonesia cost Australia £60 million in trade, and now it is lifted they see a lot of spare work ahead as in the intervening years other nations have reaped the harvest.

Originally applied to the export of war weapons to Indonesia, the ban in due course was extended to all cargoes, and from time to time union officials here stated that it was directed to assist Dr. Soekarno's Republic, which is only one of the seven States of Indonesia. Consider then the joint traders' note when Dr. Soekarno represents this particular section of Indonesia, said that the ban had done great damage to the trade relationship of the two countries, while he suggested that with proper handling now it could be stepped up to £20,000,000 a year. The business men smell some money, because the lifting of the ban followed hard on the return to Australia of the Communist secretary of the Seamen's Union who allegedly went to Peking to confer with Aspin and Australian trade-unionists, and also because the announcement was made by another avowed Communist as secretary of the Waterside Workers' Federation. Missing link in official announcement from the Government that it will grant export or import licences to traders to deal with Indonesia.

U.S. And Us

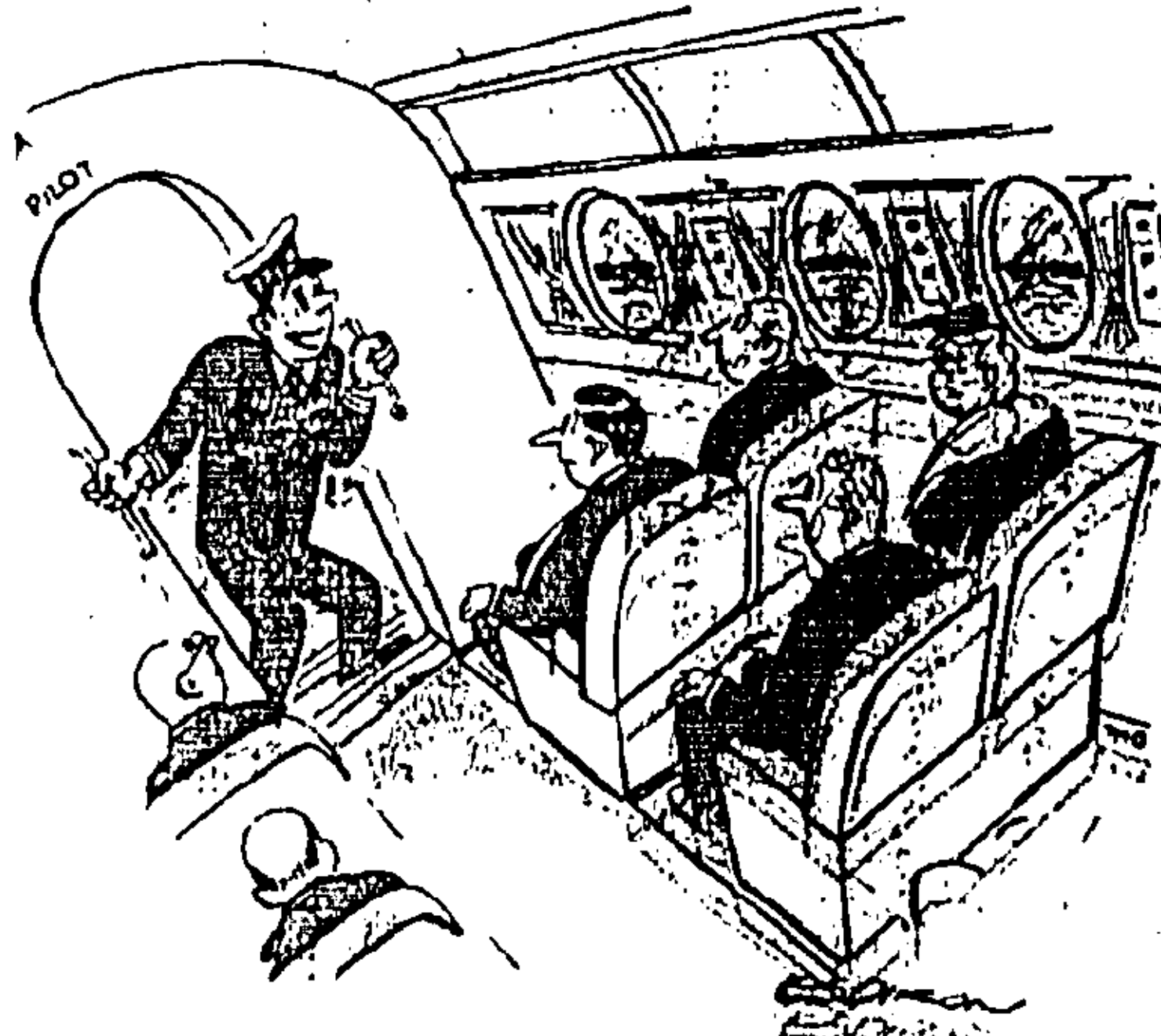
Evidence that American and Australia are indeed buddies is to be found in the generous gesture of the Fulbright agreement which puts paid to lend-lease transactions and provides for an exchange of students. All the while, the U.S. came from Washington and a lot of big brother patience was called into play while the Australian Government fooled around before taking advantage of this generous cultural move, which is just the sort of the world wants.

Scheme's Finance

Financed for the Scheme is the \$5,000,000 standing to the credit of the United States in Australia when lend-lease was wound up, and there is no question of the advantages to us, although, under

the existing financial set-up, American students in Australia must receive greater benefits than Australians in America. During the war the United States supplied Australia with about \$1,000,000,000 worth of goods. Australian provisions to the U.S. came to within \$27,000,000 of that sum, of which \$20,000,000 had been paid. Close co-operation between America and Australia, especially in the Pacific and South East Asia, is very desirable and it will be a

appearance of being cagey with a generous friend. Dangers of Communism and economic disaster in India are stressed in a Press statement by Sir Bertram Stevens, former R.S.W. Premier, who has returned from a business visit. He says the food position is critical and thinks that Australia from the reservoir of her comparative abundance should offer help in addition to other members of the sterling group which need to act



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Related Trials

It were well done when it were done, would it if it were done quickly. Explanations are being required in Australia's tardiness in trying Japanese charged with her crimes, particularly as every other country has completed its trials. Tokyo talks is that American authorities threaten to release 90 Japanese from Sugama Prison because of the delay in trying them on charge including brutal beatings and beheading of Australian prisoners of war. Army Minister Chambers has denied apathy and says that trials on Manus Island will take place as soon as suitable accommodation has been erected. Ex-servicemen and Australians generally are very dissatisfied that the crimes the Alps committed should be shelved home to them, and are annoyed and disgusted at the delay which they say will now be construed as mere vindictiveness.

Bulging Stockings

After swags of Christmas parcels had been duly assembled and despatched to Britain and Europe there was a brief lull in shopping activities, and much musing about the impossibility of celebrating with prices on the up and

up. But the austerity theme was short-lived for quite suddenly, with one of those over-night changes, all sales resistance crumpled and the public was in a spending mood. The run on absolute luxuries is even more than retailers dared hope for, although the shops are decked out with more Christmas what-nots than have been seen for many a year. For some reason hard to determine people "have become recklessly extravagant and the shop-keepers say that the absence of quibbling denotes that there is plenty of money about, and everything is set for a bumper season of giving and receiving. Most unusual trend in the spending spree is the nonchalant manner in which the 18 to 22 girlhood group are splashing on men's attire in the gayest possible colours. For a while it looked as if toys were hanging fire but even at quite staggering prices these are now selling like hot cakes. Tin soldiers and rag dolls, always a sentimental number, are moving off even though a set of 30 King men costs nearly £9, and the sawdust babies are 22/6 each. Usually the mechanical toys tops the bill but this season dolls are an easy winner, and "dipping" mamee pets and imported "cuties" with new look changes are tagged from £20 to £40. Once comely matron, hastily replacing a dressed mode after glimpsing the ticket, exclaimed: "practically why, it would be cheaper to have a baby!" Even local manufacturers are shocked at the things retailers are shocked at prices, particularly in the toy sections, but such is the mysterious urge to honour the children's festival that thousands are spending far beyond their means.

Associations that annually play Santa not in early with their buying and donations of gifts and money have been so free that now some are afraid that there'll be more toys than children. Although actually there is plenty of scope for charitable gift-giving, with hospitals and institutions, war orphans, and a certain number of underprivileged, indications are that stockings will bulge bigger and better than ever this Christmas Eve, and fun will be as plentiful as the fresh air even though a fat export costs 20/-.

Makes One Think

For some months past there have been reports of queer goings on at a dairy farm about 50 miles from Wiggles, N.S.W. It all started with a pair of a milking machine being hurled into the air in broad daylight and for no apparent reason, and created quite a local pothole. After much talk of supernatural influences and some little publicity, the story was dropped. But now it has been resurrected in a "Sunday Herald" feature with stacks of facts, and a whole swag of interviews and comments by solid and stolid citizens, hard-headed scientists, and last but not least, the Magic Circle (London). And all are at a loss to account for the phenomena. Obviously this conservative Sunday paper has gone to some considerable trouble to present the mystery in the cold pure light of reason, free from any suggestion of hocus pocus, or that silly stuff that's done with mirrors. All this delving, coupled no doubt with the fact that the "Sunday Herald" is the only three-penny Sunday paper, just as the Sydney Morning Herald is the only two-penny daily, gets added status with a "Copyright" by-line. One way and another it looks as if we might be in for a nice little occult treat if the poltergeists continue to play.

OOH, LA LA — LES ECOSSAIS

By STEPHEN COULTER

The lad in the swinging kilts strolled down the Paris boulevards. The little shop-girls out for their lunch hour break turned and watched him thread through the crowd.

"Ah, que c'est sympathique," said Galtie.
Said Anne-Marie: "And those bare knees—n'est ce pas, ça vous fait quelque chose?"
"Alors, j'aime bien les Ecoisais." Almost any day for many months this year you could have heard this boulevard conversation piece as I did in "places" as far apart as Paris and Bordeaux. For although official figures have not yet been broken down to the last "jupe Ecoisaise" a recent number of descendants of the makers of the Auld Alliance seem to have come to France this year. And whatever you have heard or read of "tourist behaviour" elsewhere abroad, let no-one persuade you that the broad Scots in France have been ill-mannered, discourteous or otherwise badly conducted. For testimony, go only to the National Tourist Office where they tell you "Ah—les Ecoisais. With them, there is nothing to say. They are always free birds."

Scotland this year has helped very largely in giving the French their best-ever tourist season. Whether it is a result of this or not, there's a sudden flowering of plaid all over the place here. The smartest shops are full of tartan. Gordon, Hunting Stuart and all-for-shirts, ties, rainproof linings, scarves, overcoats, chair-covers and even the seat-covers in cars. The most exclusive club in Paris (the Jockey Club), where you have to have at least 12 quarters of nobility to membership, has just done out one of its main reception rooms in "le Gordon" furnishings. Scots friends of France will be glad to know that as tourists they have given the French a welcome hand with building funds. With British tourists (500,000 in all) they have brought to France no less than £12,000,000 this year—and there are still visitors coming from North of the border. Altogether nearly 3,000,000 foreign tourists have come to France this year for holidays, quick trips, etc.—and they have spent a total of some £70,000,000.

Five Years Ago

Most of them came from Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg (over a million)—and there have been 300,000 Americans. True, the French make an art of attracting tourists, but to get the full measure of just how much they have put into the business of getting you here, think back only five short years. Then, nearly every airport in the country was a mass of blown-up quays, blocked harbours, toppled cranes, demolished wharves. Thousands of miles of railway were torn up; nearly every major bridge, and hundreds of minor ones, were down or damaged. And 1940—the best tourist year France has ever had! Set back even than the top "pro" war years. There's a recovery for you! There you have the resiliency of a great people. And talking of food—there's one curious (or is it so curious?) note about the Scots and English tourists who have been here this season. Most chose an holiday centre, Brittany, Normandy and Flanders—the choice eating-places of France. To the French it often seemed that the most enjoyable thing these visitors got out of their holiday was the plenty and variety of their plates. Make other Scots went down to the Cote d'Azur and the Alps, a surprising number turned up in unexpected corners of France—the Atlantic Coast, the Massif Central and the Pyrenees.

But all told, say the French, there's been a subtle change in the tourists from across the Channel these last years. "We see them making all sorts of careful calculations, economies to spin but their travel allowances." The French say. "Somehow these are not the same people from Britain we remember before the war," they say. "They've changed—they seem a shade further from us."

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GUNMEN IN THE WEST END

By Supt. ROBERT FABIAN

Murder Gun In the River

When Chief Superintendent Tom Barratt went on holiday with his wife in late windy April, of 1947, I was put in charge of No. 1 District of the Metropolitan Force—the entire West End of London.

I carried my fountain-pen and little brown brief-case up to the second floor of Great Scotland Yard, and down in his padded chair in his roomy office, I lit a cigarette, sifted through the heap of routine documents Tom Barratt had left for me, and scribbled signatures on a dozen regulation forms.

After a while, I decided to go for lunch. It was after two o'clock, peaceful in that quiet office, with the light of twilight April sunshine outside.

I did not know that a citizen of London was given at that moment a bullet wound from a gunman's bullet when the grey pavement of Charlotte-street, at the junction of Charlotte-street and the Strand, was struck by a bullet.

Then I got a phone call from Chief Inspector Higgins. "A young man at Charlotte-street, near the young fellows with the red cap, up Jays. The young man is in the shop, and a man outside, trying to stop him, has been shot. He is in the shop."

I took the 27 witnesses into Scotland Yard's Criminal Record Office to inspect photographs of known criminals likely to use guns. It went on until late evening that it was completely unsuccessful.

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I was alert, listening to Mr. Grubb's story. A young man with a handkerchief knotted under his chin had jumped the running-bus of his car, Mr. Grubb, already carrying a fare, had brushed him off. The young man then ran across the road, where another young man was at the door of Brook House, No. 191 Tottenham Court Road. Both disappeared inside.

Next day, in a grey dawn, Leonard Joel, porter at Brook House, arrived to sweep his steps. We were already waiting for him, snowing with coat-collars turned up, in a Flying Squad car drawn to the kerb.

"Ah," he said, when we had explained, "that might account for the little key I found when I went the stairs yesterday. It didn't belong to any of the people in these offices, for I asked 'em all."

"It fits, Chief!"

The Office Boy Remembered

The Brook House office boy, Brinn Cox, was depressed when he came to work that morning and found himself suddenly the most important person in the whole block of offices.

For young Brian had been at the doorway just before 3 p.m. on April 20, when two young men brushed past him, hurried into the building. The tallest one wore a raincoat. After a while he saw them on the stairs, looking through windows. They asked

to help you, Bob," he said. "Nothing in the shop either." Next came Detective-Inspector Higgins who had the task of taking those 27 statements from witnesses.

"Well, Chief, I've got the descriptions," he said. But his eyes were mournful. "They're all different!"

I glanced over the stack of descriptions, each in the witness's own words:

"Three enormous men," "Three little fellows," "I think one was lame," "They all ran like blazes," "All wearing raincoats," "They were battledress jackets," "Definitely foreigners, swarthy," "They were blonde and wore no hats," "Caps pulled down over their eyes."

My phone rang. The Forensic Science Laboratories at Hendon. "Mr. Fabian? We've examined that stolen Vauxhall 14 saloon, registration KK 524, put a micro-camera over the upholstery, and so on. There isn't a shred of a clue."

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him if "Mr. Williams was in."

He noticed the tall man no longer had a raincoat.

In a disused room on the top floor of Brook House office, behind a dusty counter, bundled up and shoved out of sight, we found the raincoat, with a cap and pair of gloves in the pocket.

Crumpled even further into the unlit corner, was a scarf, folded into a triangle, with both ends knotted. A murder mask!

The maker's name had been carefully picked out from both cap and raincoat. I spread the raincoat on a table, ripped the lining from it, thaid the seam, near the right-hand pocket, was

books. "Ah, yes—here we are..." They gave names and addresses of purchasers of coats of the pattern we held.

Two astounded suburban house-holders received calls from detectives, were asked to produce their raincoats. Both, wonderingly, did so, then each hurried off to the "local" to become a hero for the night, while we turned the black, polished nose of our high-powered flashlight towards the third shop, in High-street, Deptford.

"Why, of course," said Mr. Arthur Amos, the manager. "We have a record of sale." He thumbed his books confidently. "Here



FABIAN OF THE YARD

a cloth stock ticket of a firm, multiple branch tailors.

A police car whisked this clue to their factory at Leeds, while I too a brief nap in my clothes at Tottenham Court road police station.

Bad news after lunch, on the phone from Leeds. "Sorry, sir. All they can tell us is that the raincoat was delivered to one of three branch shops in London."

Within a few minutes came a teletype message, from the police laboratory at Hendon. "Regret no identification in raincoat, cap, scarf or gloves."

On The Trail Of The Raincoat

Two of the three branch shops to which the raincoat might have been supplied were in fairly high-class suburban districts. The managers hastily turned up their

we are sold on December 30, 1946, and he gave me an address in Bermondsey.

It was a block of flats. We saw the man's wife and showed her the raincoat.

"Does this belong to your husband?"

She was agitated. "Yes. He lost it at a public house about—er, five weeks ago."

I left the flat. Shortly afterwards, the woman also left. The detective I had placed in hiding to wait for this, shadowed her cautiously.

She went to another block of flats, then home again. This was interesting. At that address lived a family named Jenkins.

The eldest son was serving eight years for manslaughter during a smash-and-grab raid on a London jeweller's. Another son, Harry Jenkins, had just been released from Borstal.

I got back to my office to find the murder gun had been discovered. A schoolboy found it in the river, mud of the Thames at Wapping, fully loaded, but with one chamber fired. Gun expert Mr. Churchill examined it, nodded. "That's the case! It fired the shot that killed Antiquis."

You see, when a bullet leaves a gun, rifling in the gun-barrel makes marks on it. These are identical on every bullet fired from that gun. All you do is shoot another bullet from the same gun, match the scratches—and it is as sure as a fingerprint!

A few minutes afterwards, my other team of detectives, whom I had left to pick up the man at Bermondsey before he got home to his wife, brought him to me at Tottenham Court-road Station. I showed him the raincoat.

"Yes," he said without hesitation. "That's mine. I lost it in a cinema a few weeks ago."

"Your wife said you lost it in a public-house. Who's making the mistake?"

He hesitated. "We both are," he said after a pause. "She lent it to her brother, Harry Jenkins."

I took a couple of police officers to Bermondsey and arrested Harry Jenkins, a handsome lad of 23, with fair curly hair, and a cool confidence in his eyes and smile.

'The King Of Borstal'

Young Jenkins was not afraid of the police. He had two convictions before he was 20 for assaulting policemen. He broke the jaw of one P.C. He led the neighbourhood lads, was called "The King Of Borstal."

And when I showed him the tattered raincoat in the quiet of my office, that Sunday afternoon, he simply smiled. "I understand you borrowed it from your sister," I said.

The church bells tolled outside. The smile stayed fixed and curiously defiant on Jenkins' handsome young countenance. "It looks like Tom's coat, but I'm not saying anything more now, as it all looks serious to me," he said. That was all we could get from him.

He was put in the cells, with food, blanket and mattress. From Scotland Yard's Criminal Record Office, I got a list of his associates.

His best friend was Christopher James Geraghty, aged 21, who had twice escaped from Borstal. Another acquaintance was a boy of 17, Terence Peter Rolt, who had been bound over as a juvenile for shop-breaking.

We went looking for young Rolt, and found him just before midnight. His story was that on the day of the Antiquis shooting he had been ill in bed. He was later released.

Geraghty had not been found that day. We left a message at his home. Next morning he came to Tottenham Court Road Police Station.

I asked him to account for his movements on April 20. He sat for a few minutes, looked at my calendar on the wall, said: "A matter of fact, I was in bed

queer. I had some boils, and was ill all the week."

Shortly before 11 a.m., I let Geraghty go. Within an hour we had paraded Jenkins in the main hall of the police station, with a row of other fair-haired young men of similar age, picked up on the Tottenham Court Road.

He knew all the tricks, asked for a lunch-edition newspaper to be brought in for him, and stuck it nonchalantly in his pockets, as witnesses might think. "It couldn't be this man—obviously, it was but on the street only a few minutes ago!"

One by one, for an hour and 10 minutes, the 27 witnesses, who claimed they could identify any of the three gunmen they had glimpsed on Charlotte-street, filed past, stared thoughtfully, passed on.

Nobody identified Jenkins. After it was ended, he snarled at me triumphantly.

As I saw the cool challenge of his eyes, the sardonic twist of his confident mouth, I felt certain I was looking into the face of the leader of the gang, that had slain Alec de Antiquis.

My clothes were rumpled, dishevelled from days of camping out in them at the police station. My cheeks were raw from shaving with ordinary soap. I had not even taken time to telephone home for my toilet kit. My eyes burned with need of sleep.

"All Right—You Can Go"

I looked again at gang-leader Harry Jenkins, at the pressed suit and crisp silk shirt that friends had fetched in for him.

"All right, Jenkins," I said heavily. "You can go."

He smiled, began to walk towards the police station door into Tottenham Court Road, where the clatter and traffic of Soho—his own bizarre world—waited for him.

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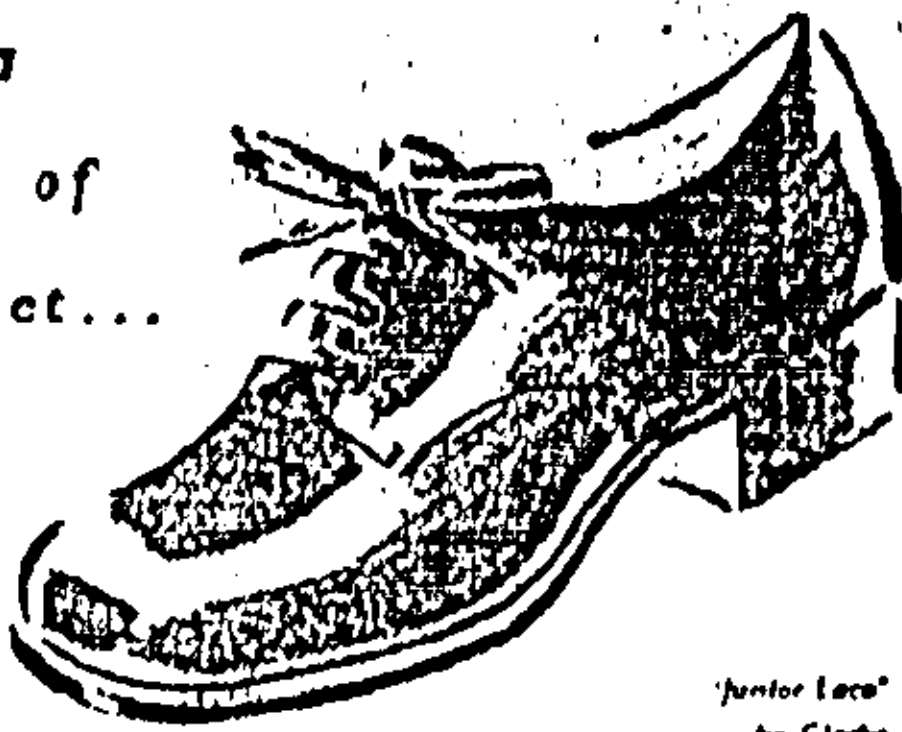
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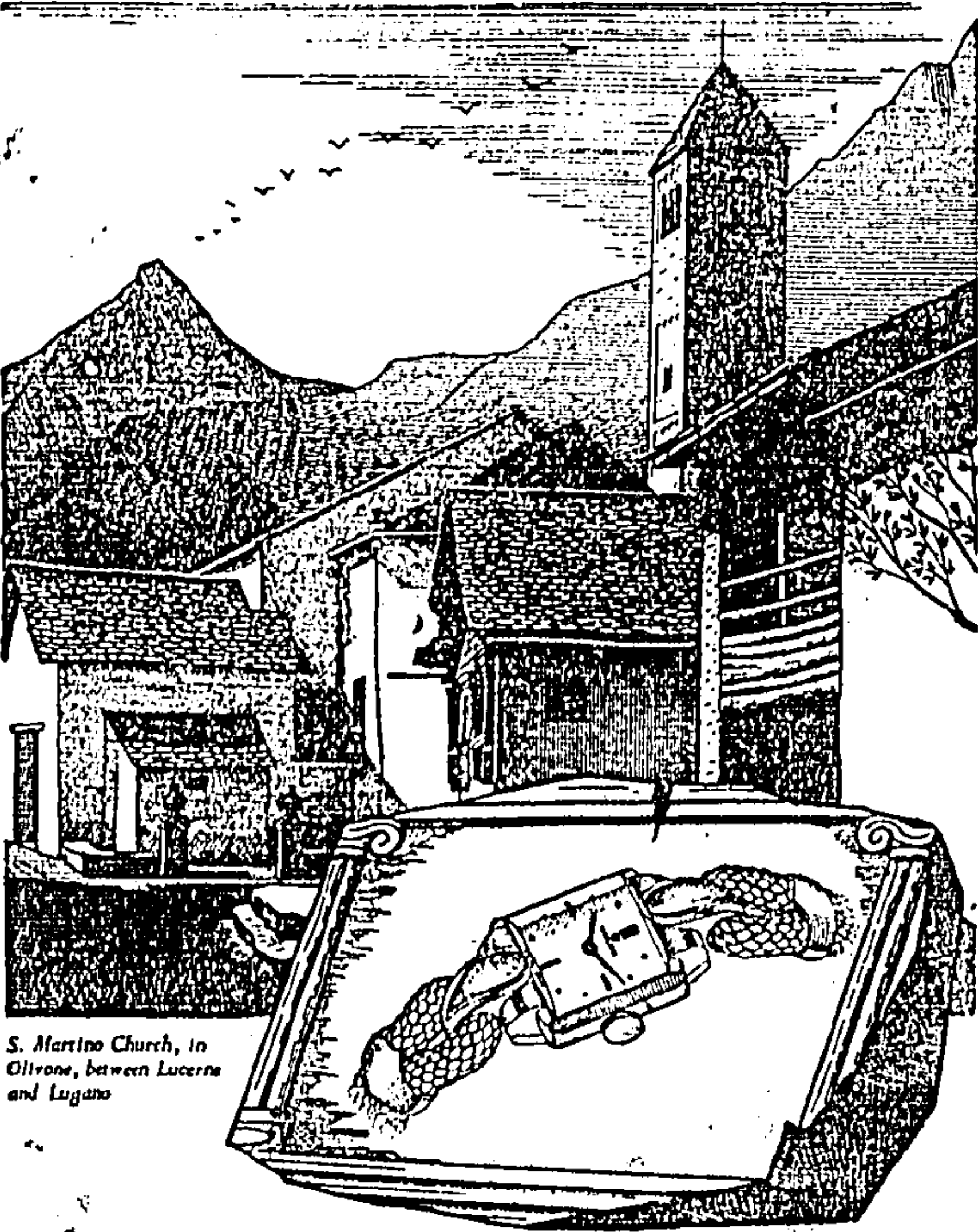
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INDONESIA ELECTS FIRST PRESIDENT

Jogjakarta, December 16.

Dr. Soekarno was elected today the first President of the United States of Indonesia—the independent nation for which he fought more than 20 years.

It took only 15 minutes for the electors from all 16 states of the Dutch East Indies islands to choose him unanimously. He will be sworn in on Saturday.

He will formally take over when the United States of Indonesia comes into being as an equal partner of the Netherlands under the Dutch Crown on December 27.

Dr. Soekarno has been President since 1945 of the Indonesian Republic, whose Jogjakarta Government controls parts of Java and Sumatra. It is to have a major voice in affairs of the new nation.

Only a year ago, Dr. Soekarno was a prisoner of the Dutch Parachute troops who had captured Jogjakarta and whisked him off into exile under a decree issued from the Dutch Governor-General in Batavia.

Now the tables are turned. The Republican leader is moving into the Dutch palace. It symbolizes the birth of a new nation for 30,000,000 people who shout his name as their battle cry of freedom. Like many an Indonesian, Dr. Soekarno has no first time.

A Moslem, he likes to quote Lincoln and Washington and to compare Indonesia's struggle for freedom to the American revolution.

Not Extremist

Handsome and younger looking than his 49 years, Dr. Soekarno talks easily, but hedges on controversial subjects. He is both a social reformer and an opportunist. To further the cause of Indonesian nationalism, he will take help where he can get it from the past from the Japanese.

Conservatives, who had regarded him as an extreme radical, now must rely on him to keep Indonesia from falling into the hands of more rabid revolutionists.

A radical national movement was fostered in 1927 by Dr. Soekarno. Educated as an architectural engineer in a Dutch school, he turned away from his profession to build a revolutionary party.

Dr. Soekarno shouted for Indonesian independence. But even

wisps of those days was dangerous and young Soekarno was jailed. He was released in 1932 but kept up his agitation.

The Dutch put up with it for two years, then exiled him to a remote island in the Flores and later held him in Sumatra. When the Japanese swept across Indonesia in 1942, Dr. Soekarno was freed.

Then behind the Japanese flag, Dr. Soekarno revived Indonesian nationalism. He co-operated with the Japanese, preaching their doctrine of "Asia for the Asiatics."

Bitter Struggle

After the Japanese capitulation, Dr. Soekarno and his followers declared their independence of the Dutch. Dr. Soekarno became President of the Indonesian Republic on August 17, 1945.

Four years of a bloody, bitter struggle between the Indonesians and the Dutch followed. A United Nations Committee stepped in. While it brought about cessation of hostilities, agreements were scrapped and military violations on both sides continued.

A year ago, the Dutch opened a full-scale military action, capturing Republican leaders and all their territory but the Northern tip of Sumatra. The United Nations Security Council called for a halt in the fighting and for Dutch withdrawal from captured areas.

The Republicans melted into the hills and slashed back in guerrilla warfare. The Dutch finally softened their policy to the point of reversing it. There followed a round table conference at the Hague which arranged for the transfer of the sovereignty.

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DESERT "WAR" IN TRIPOLI

Tripoli, December 16.

"Operation Bounder" brought back a warlike atmosphere to Tripoli today as the first British Infantry Division staged its second full-scale exercise as a test of desert warfare.

The three-day exercise involves the defence of Tripoli and environs against an artificial invasion from the East.

Until the First Infantry Division arrived in North Africa from Palestine six months ago, no exercise on this scale had taken place in Tripolitania since the war.

Troops taking part in the exercise under the GOC of the First Infantry Division, Major-General H. Murray, included the headquarters of the First Infantry Division, the HQ First Guards Brigade and the First Battalions of the Grenadier and Coldstream Guards.—Associated Press.

New Dutch Ministry For The Union

The Hague, December 16.

A reorganization plan for the Dutch Ministry of Overseas Territories as a result of the transfer of sovereignty to Indonesia was announced here tonight.

After the transfer the official name of the Ministry will be "the Ministry for Union and Realm Affairs," abbreviated as MUOR.

The Ministry will be in charge of Dutch Union relations with Indonesia, relations with Surinam and the Dutch Antilles, and the administration of New Guinea. The Dutch High Commissioner's Office will come directly under the Ministry.—Reuter.

MANSTEIN TRIAL ENDING

Hamburg, December 16.

The trial of Field Marshal Erich Von Manstein, which has been going on for nearly four months, will probably end on Monday.

The seven members of the British Military Court will shut themselves up in a Hamburg luxury hotel this week-end to decide whether Von Manstein is guilty of war crimes.

The verdict is expected on Monday.

If the members of the Court have made up their minds by then, further adjournment is likely.

The Court today decided not to allow photographers inside the Court when the verdict is announced.

Today, the Judge Advocate, in his long summing up of the proceedings, reached the seventeenth and last charge against Manstein, relating to the "scorched earth" policy of the German armies during their final retreat in Southern Russia.

Manstein is accused of having ordered the wholesale seizure and destruction of cattle, foodstuffs, houses and all other objects of economic value to hinder the advance of the Soviet troops.—Reuter.

NEW RED CHINA ASSOCIATION

San Francisco, December 16.

The Chinese Communist radio announced the formation of a "People's Foreign Relations Association of China."

The Association, which is headed by the Premier-Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, recruits foreign affairs experts for making "concrete suggestions" regarding foreign relations to the Chinese Communist government.—United Press.



GOING UP!

BULGARIAN LEADER EXECUTED IN SOFIA

Sofia, December 16.

Traicho Kostov, former Bulgarian Deputy Premier, sentenced to death for spying, was executed today, the Bulgarian news agency announced.

Today, the Praesidium of the Bulgarian Grand National Assembly rejected Kostov's plea for mercy. It found that there were no extenuating grounds for reducing the sentence.

In his written appeal to the Grand Council, Kostov drew his original "Not Guilty" pleas and admitted the charges against him.

It was learned that Kostov also wrote a letter to the 72-year-old Premier, Mr. Vasil Kolarov, asking that his death sentence be commuted to life imprisonment. He promised that if the appeal were granted he would devote his life to the Communist Party.

In his letter Kostov said he had changed his mind about his plea at the trial. He declared that the 32,000-word handwritten confession which he wrote during his pre-trial investigation and repudiated during the hearing was true.

In his appeal to the Grand Council, Kostov said that "at the last moment I have become conscious of my wrongful behaviour before the Supreme Court and realize that it might carry with it harm for the Bulgarian People's Republic and a blot on its popular and democratic Government."

Further Purge

Valko Chervenkov, Secretary General of the Bulgarian Communist Party, declared in today's Communist journal that a further purge of the Party is contemplated.

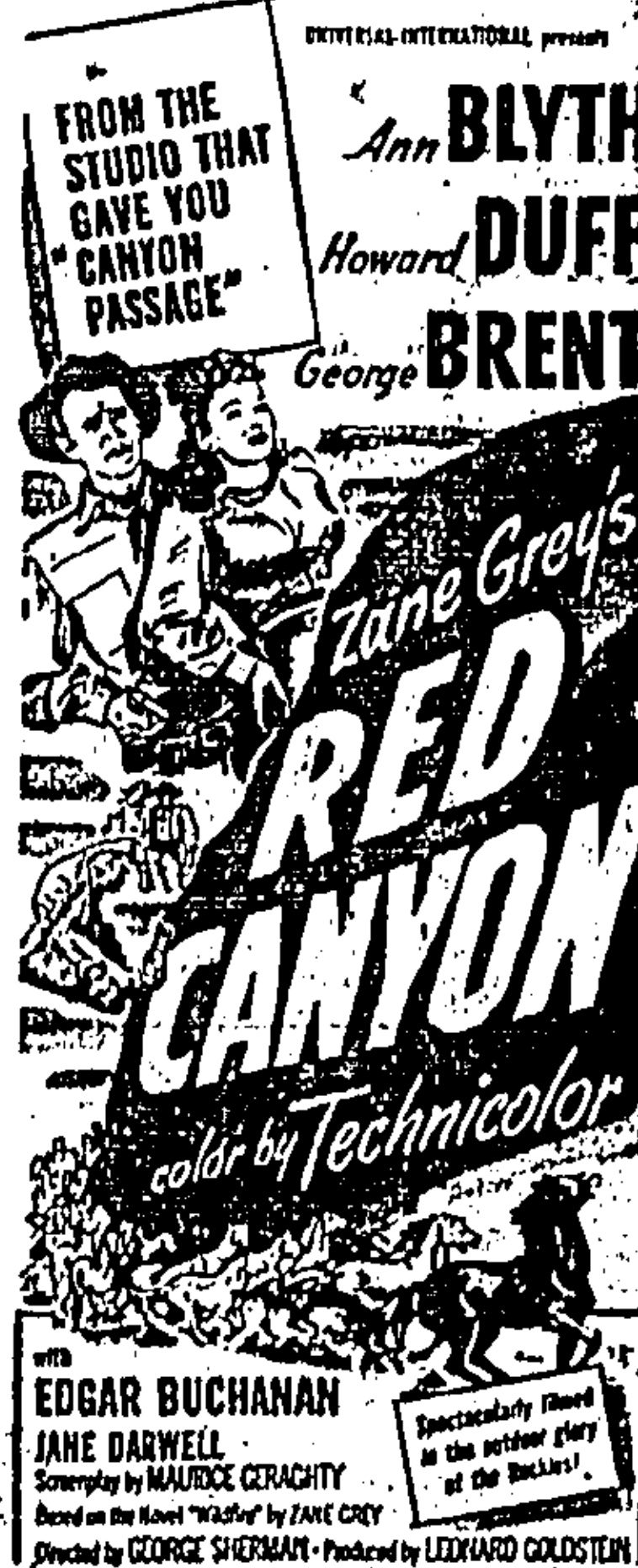
"There are other Kostovs in our Party," he wrote, calling for renewed vigilance.

The same theme was hit by other Eastern European Communist leaders, including Rudolf Slansky, Secretary General of the Czechoslovak Party.

The journal also appealed for restoration of world unity of trade unions, now split in Communist and anti-Communist factions.

The publication called on all workers, especially the Catholics of Europe, to re-unite under the banners of Lenin and Stalin and the leadership of the Communist Party.—Reuter and Associated Press.

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For the second week in succession the most important news from this side of the water has been the American tale of Britain's two Field-Marshal.

Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery has returned to his Fontainebleau headquarters with the latest American view of his organization of logistics and command. Field-Marshal Sir William Slim has been visiting U.S. Airborne and armored training establishments in the South and the Mid-West.

Photoflash Tour

But the United States has been treated during the past few days to a character study in two parts which it has not been their good fortune to have witnessed since the Truman-Dewey cross-country epic ended in the upset election of the Missouri President.

Before leaving Montgomery walked through factories and laboratories, business offices, the Stock Exchange, hotels and department stores, transforming them into photoflash world of his own. Everything he did, everything he said, has been faithfully reported on all but the Communist and Labour front pages. He has been on radio, television and newsreels.

His report on the fabulous, omni-scientific American institutions, the "miraculous" "I don't know what goes there, but I intend to find out," was as famous within 12 hours as his earlier declaration that he would knock Rome out for six out of Africa.

Again, before he landed, Montgomery had the reputation given him by the SHIAE gossip, who had maintained their wartime incomes by peddling behind-the-scenes, and had never seemed to like Montgomery from the Westchester County line to the Beverly Hills, regarded him as a narrow-minded, egotistical, somewhat pompous old exhibit.

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Monist who never started a battle without a 2-1 superiority in manpower and a 3-1 advantage in material.

No Politician

But the "new Monty" has been gracious, genial and charming. To my knowledge he has not made a mistake. He smilingly declined the city's offer of a shining motor-cycle police escort; he insisted on going back-stage to meet Mary Martin and the other "South Pacific" stars.

He was careful "I'm a soldier, not a politician," he told me one evening, "and I do what the politicians tell me to do. I might have my own opinions, but I do what I'm told."

His charm and good manners even extended to take in a Hollywood publicity stunt—he posed happily with two young actresses—and Mayor O'Dwyer's bad manners and boorishness in keeping him in a waiting-room for miles before he could get his reception "Bill" Slim, by contrast, has been as forgotten as his old XIV Army.

He has been shy, self-effacing, almost timid at sundry gatherings and occasions. Only once, when he appeared back of a curtain, we'll fight to defend Hong Kong," was there a flash of the dominating inspiring personality and the jovial appearance of the Burma War.

I should have liked to have seen "Bill" over here in his old jungle hat, which, although out of place in War Office thinking, would have made him an over-night hero in this country, where there is so much respect for the unusual.

The word has gone round in Washington in the last 24 hours that the U.S. Government has concluded a deal with the SHIAE gossip, who had maintained their wartime incomes by peddling behind-the-scenes, and had never seemed to like Montgomery from the Westchester County line to the Beverly Hills, regarded him as a narrow-minded, egotistical, somewhat pompous old exhibit.

The fate of Lady Reading's sweaters illustrates the problem. She brought them here as trade samples—children's woollens decorated with tiny cotton daisies.

Customs inspectors ruled that those daisies made them embroidery (45 per cent duty) instead of sweaters (25 per cent duty), and another plan for earning Britain dollars collapsed.

Then there were the British sheep shears classified as surgical instruments (40 per cent) and the corpse which had Customs officials thumbing through their code books to see if it had any commercial value.

America over the years has built up round herself barriers of

trade "protection" more intimidating than the Great Wall of China.

Call For Reform

The basic tariff law of this land is the celebrated Smoot-Hawley Act of 1930, which occupies 110,000 words in the United States Code, describing more than 5,000 articles, and prescribing a duty on each.

"Reform the code," says Harry Radcliffe, of the National Council of American Importers, "and you would increase our imports by a minimum of 1,000,000,000 dollars a year."

That amounts to more than \$350,000,000, not enough to close the "dollar gap" between Europe and the U.S., but a sizable contribution to that cause.

America's Great Wall, already an international stumbling-block, is becoming a national issue too. British and Canadian tariff experts in Washington now are talking over with Treasury Secretary John Snyder's men how to knock holes in it.

Protectionism is almost as old as the United States. The first of 21 major tariff dates back to July 4, 1789.

President Grover Cleveland (No. 22) lost the 1888 election to an undistinguished small-town lawyer, Benjamin Harrison, because Cleveland wanted to lower the tariff boom "Unnecessary taxation," he pleaded, with a fat surplus in his Treasury, "is unjust taxation."

But America today is the great "have" power, well able to afford to lower the boom again. "Unnecessary taxation is unjust taxation," said Grover Cleveland.

Seaside second and third costume jewellery made in Balgobate, Llanelli, Glamorgan, is currently a best-seller at one Fifth Avenue department store, although a 55 per cent duty is imposed.

English cigarettes, increasingly popular with the U.S. public, cost 10 cents a 100 per cent duty. And peanuts, John Strachey's latter harvest, carry an exorbitant rate of 200 per cent.

The workings of the tariff code are as dark and devious as they are daunting. Benjamin Levent, one of the host of Customs lawyers who inhabit downtown Manhattan, tells a classic tale.

They Always Win.

He shows how, under rules still in force, a traveller sending home a 100-dollar rug he bought in Persia could be liable for 710 dollars' worth of fines and duties and if he tried to throw it away at the U.S. Customs he would still owe 150 dollars.

More interesting to Neil Morris, the Clydebank furniture maker who is trying to create an export business here, is the fact that upholstered chairs often pay the duty on wool, not furniture.

"Protection" makes it impossible for a London publisher to copyright his books in New York—works in foreign languages, however, can be covered—unless they are also manufactured in America.

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Their Past Is Also Their Present

By DEREK MARKS

The other day I stood out in the African bush watching the fantastic ceremonies of East Africa's most primitive tribe—the Masai. Four miles away the single track railway wound its serpentine course from the Indian Ocean to Kenya's capital of Nairobi, a sign of the progress that in the end will envelop and change the Masai as it has the other tribes of the colony.

Before I went on safari into the Masailand someone told me that the first thing I would notice would be the smell and the flies. My knowledgeable friend was right.

In the shade of a spinney of "umbrella trees," which make

their spears, shields and head-dresses of ostrich feathers or lion skins, anything seemed possible, for all this was straight out of Rider Haggard.

The illusion of the past glories of Africa was somewhat spoiled when the Chief came up wearing a former RAF greatcoat. But there is nothing to smugger about at Masai, for they look dignified in anything or nothing.

With that tremendous assurance which characterizes his race, the Chief asked our party to leave until the morning as the moran had to prepare for the ceremonies we had come to watch.

Darkness was falling as we made our way back through the woods to our own camp, and the stars of the Southern Cross studied the velvet sky. From the Manyatta behind us came the strange chant of women singing in the tropical night. I asked the young Masai interpreter who was with us why they sang.

"They are praying for success in tomorrow's ceremonies, for good luck," he said.

There was something strangely moving in this chanting. It seemed to be a combination of the physical and the spiritual, or rite on the face as well as "balm in Gilead."

The ceremonies we were to watch marked the change in status of the warriors from Junior to senior moran. The moran period used to last up to 10 years in the days when Masai were the undisputed lords of the greater part of East Africa, but since the British came to rule in their place the period of service has been gradually cut down.

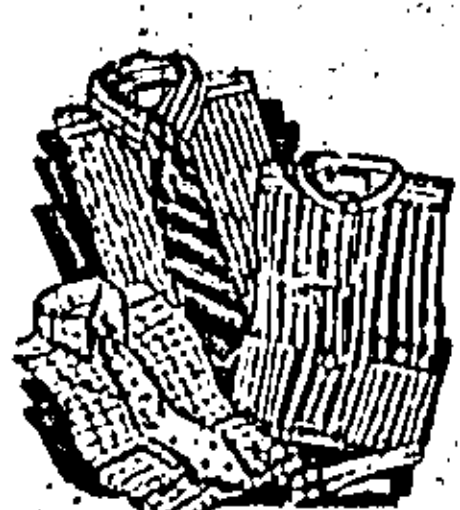
The Government has found it a constant embarrassment to have those strapping young men in the reserve with nothing to do other than plant raids upon the herds of the neighbouring Kikuyu tribe. Unlike the Kikuyu, the Masai has not been Westernized. Not for him are the brilliant sports jackets, the sun glasses and the "opie" of the Kikuyu "city slicker."

Terror Of Africa

On the rare occasions when he goes into a town he goes with a blanket swung arrogantly over one shoulder, and walks along the paved streets as though the Masai were still the terror of Africa. The "city slickers" stand aside to let him pass.



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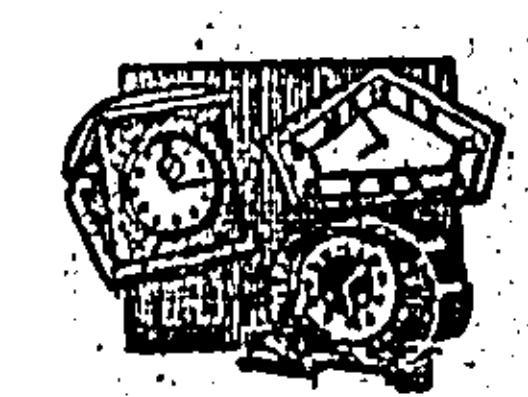
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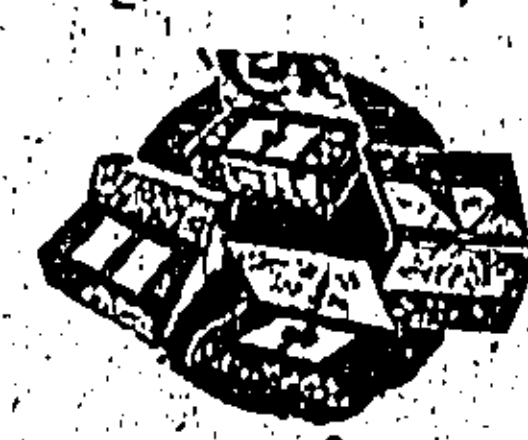


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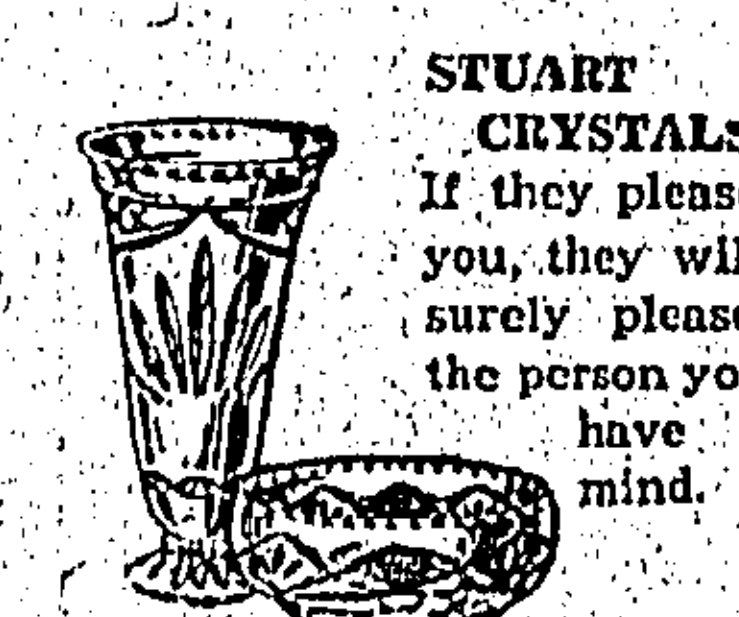


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to make British films an in-
dependent and profit-making
industry.

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films and become the leader of
the industry? The answer lies in
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highly respected in Methodist
and milling circles for the last
75 years, was not always the
household word that J. Arthur
has made it.

The Rank fortune was founded
by his father Joseph, who was
born in 1854 in a cottage in Hull
next to his father's windmill.
Before the end of the century
Joseph was one of the country's
leading millers and a millionaire.

His mother died when he was
four and his father when he was
20. Starting work for his father
for 7s. 6d. a week at the age of
14, his main duties were sweep-
ing the mill and cutting the sacks
of wheat and flour to and from
the windmill.

On his father's death he in-
herited £500, and with this
small capital started his own
business, producing two sacks of
flour an hour. From this small
beginning with one windmill he
has been at one time second
only to that of Sir John Ellerman
who left nearly £40,000,000.

He was, however, a model em-
ployer and paid the highest
wages in the industry. At all
times he was an approachable
boss, and until his organisation
grew too big for him to employ
men himself, he personally inter-
viewed everybody who came for
a job and decided whether or not
the firm would take him on.

Long before pension and bonus
schemes were generally adopted
he had given his workers a share
in the business.

He worked his windmill alone,
driving his pony and cart around
delivering flour and collecting
wheat. It was not until he was
kept late by the lack of wind, so
he installed a gas engine to turn
the millstones when his sails
were still for want of wind. He
thus started one of the earliest
power-driven mills in Hull.

This was the beginning of his
success. Later he foresaw the
advantages of steel-roller mills
over the old-fashioned millstones,
and rented a mill for three days
a week.

In 1880, five years after he
started on his own, he married
Emily Vouze, a Yorkshire farmer's
daughter, who had seven children
—three boys and four girls. His
two surviving sons are, today,
J. Arthur Rank, film magnate
and millionaire, and J. Vouze
Rank, racehorse owner and pre-
sident of the £18,000,000 Rank
flour-milling business.

After the death of his first wife
he married her sister in 1918.

Happy Family

On their marriage Joseph and
Emily decided that they would
live on half or less of whatever

money he made. The union was
an intensely happy one. When
he was not busy in his mills he
was happy at home with his
family.

His father had been a staunch
Methodist and Joseph brought up
his family the same. Outside his
business his one absorbing occu-
pation was teaching at Sunday

By EDWARD C.
GAYLER

school, a custom which has been
followed by his son J. Arthur.
Until his death Joseph read a
passage from the Bible night and
morning.

He always tried to set a good
Christian example to his workers
and would not allow his mills to
be run on Sundays. Work ceased
at 9 p.m. on Saturday and re-
started at 1 a.m. on Sunday. Once
during a breakdown, his Hull
manager, anxious not to have
orders piling up, let the mills run
right through the week-end.

Huge gifts

When Joseph saw the returns
the following week in London
he knew at once what had hap-
pened. He thereupon took the
next train to Hull, remonstrated
with the manager and told him
never to do it again.

As his fortune grew his love
of his Church was translated
into munificent gifts to Method-
ism, and by the time of his death
in 1943 at the age of 89 he had
built more than 50 churches and
mission halls. His known gifts to
the movement totalled over £2-
000,000, but he made hundreds of
anonymous donations.

Once, when his own fashionable
church was not attracting the
working people, he decided to
build another. One day, there-
fore, he asked a friend to meet
him with his bicycle at 5 o'clock
the next Sunday morning. His
friend, puzzled by the early hour,
asked the reason Joseph told him
that if he were seen looking for
a site when people were about
the price would go up! He was
not a mean man but disliked
waste.

More Mills

By the turn of the century he
began to think about moving to
London. Agencies he had set up
in London and Cardiff were doing
so well that he wanted to set up
mills there. He moved South from
Hull in 1904 when he was 50,
and began work on two huge
mills, one at Victoria Docks,
London, and the other at Barry,
in South Wales.

Although by this time a very
rich man, he was always looking
for ways to expand. After Lon-
don and Barry, he set up mills in
Liverpool.

He had been one of the first
to import foreign wheat, and in
1902 went to the United States to
see the vast wheatlands. He
bluntly told the Americans that
he would buy their wheat but not
their flour. He did not believe
in importing manufactured goods
which we could produce at home,
and became a great believer in
Protection.

When he started buying foreign
wheat cargoes he found he had
more than he could cope with
himself and so started merchant-
ing wheat to other millers. The
latter refused in time to buy his
surplus wheat, so he calmly set
about erecting more mills. In this
way he was later able to buy out
his competitors.

By no means an eccentric man,
he had odd traits. For instance,
he was a great believer in
phrenology and even had a plaster
head in his office covered with
pieces of paper. He arrived one

day to find that, in dusting, his
office chair had knocked the
pieces off and stuck them on
anywhere. Joseph was furious!

He always shunned personal
publicity, which was one principal
reason why he liked his gifts to
remain anonymous.

One such gift was followed by
another of his oddities. He had
been staying the night as the
guest of the minister of a new
vicarage, and one finding out that
the mission had started with a
debt of £4,750, he sat down and
wrote a cheque right away.

Next morning as his host was
seeing him off at the station he
found to his surprise that the
price of this morning paper had
gone up from a penny to two-
pence. Joseph refused to buy
one, saying he could not afford it!

Then, at a church bazaar, he
was asked £3 for a scarf for his
wife. He only offered to pay £2,
but compromised with £2.5, saying
that his wife had enough scarves
anyway! Later, before he left the
bazaar, he said he would double
the entire takings!

His rule of life was John
Wesley's precept: "Get all you
can, save all you can, give all you
can." "I have found out much of
more use, just handing out as
I have ever found in raking in,"
he said.

Last Big Deal

During a strike at one of his
mills he refused to see the union
leader, but said he would only
talk direct with the men. A lock
out followed and in the end Rank
won. But during the strike he
was secretly looking after the
women and children with gifts of
money.

On another occasion, when one
of his men was arrested for pil-
fering, he was too late to prevent
his going to prison for six months.
While the man was there, how-
ever, his wife received her money
each week and Joseph found him
a job when he came out.

He had an uncanny gift for
knowing what was right, and
although he never speculated in
wheat he was always bought at the
right price. During the first world
war he tried to persuade the
Government to hoard wheat as he
thought prices were going to
soar.

He failed to convince Walter
Runciman, then at the Board of
Trade, so Rank sought the wheat
himself, and added considerably
to his already large fortune. His
last big deal he negotiated at the
age of 80, when for some £2-
000,000 he bought a group of
London flour mills.

Only once did his judgment fail
him, just before the 1914-18 war
when he was about to go to Austria
with his wife to take a cure. He
refused to believe war was im-
minent, and had not been there
a few days before he and his
wife were interned. Six weeks
later he was sent home in an
exchange of non-military pris-
oners.

Refused Title

Although he had moved South,
he never lost his affection for
Hull. He set up a £300,000 fund
to provide pensions for the poor,
sick and needy, and this fund
still distributes some £250 a
week.

He would not accept a title,
and refused all personal honours,
excepting only the Freedom of
Hull, which he said he treasured
more than anything else in the
world. The parchment was pre-
sented to him in a silver casket
modelled like his first windmill.
When he died in 1943 his will
showed that he had left property
valued at only £70,954. All his
fortune was given away. Millions
had passed through his hands,
millions went to Methodism and
to charities, and his two sur-
viving sons were both million-
aires.



"Now, as a final check, which of those two girls is the prettier?"

Life Story Of A Fur Coat

By G. WARD PRICE

If women had to do their
own trapping, there would
be fewer fur coats in Europe's
cities. Such coveted gar-
ments have sometimes had
grim origins.

This does not apply to animals
reared on fur farms, but it is
those caught in a natural state
that yield the better skins.

The coat of a wild mink is of
a rare, lighter colour than that
of one raised in captivity, be-
cause it lives more in the open
air.

In Alaska anyone may set a
line of traps, but it is the Eskimo
and Indians who make fur
their main source of livelihood.
They build solitary log-cabins
far out in the wilds, and sell their
store of skins to traders who visit
them during the winter by dog-
sledge.

The glossy fur coat that gives
to you, Madame, the agreeable
assurance of being so expensively
and decoratively dressed may
have started its existence up here
in the black Arctic spruce for-
ests, when, with loud clicks of
delight, a flat-faced Eskimo found
a silver fox or mink or ermine,
according to the character of your
garment, held fast in one of his
steel traps.

Fur prices have lately slumped
by some 60 per cent. This is
partly due to Russia's having
dumped several million dollars'
worth of furs on the United
States market last season.

But when Sir Stafford Cripps
devalues the pound the lonely
trapper in the Arctic feels its
effects, though without knowing
why. The commoner furs, like red
or white fox, can hardly be given
away at present.

I never know what a variety
of colouring the Alaskan rabbit
had, nor how many aliases it as-
sumes when dead. It comes in
grey, pure white, white with
black spots, fawn, even bright red
like a fox.

Except for the discomfort of
living in almost perpetual snow
and darkness, one might think
these trappers earn their living
easily.

Each has his line of traps,
which he visits daily, on snow-

shoes or by dog-sledge, and each
respects the other's territory, so
long as it is being regularly ex-
ploited.

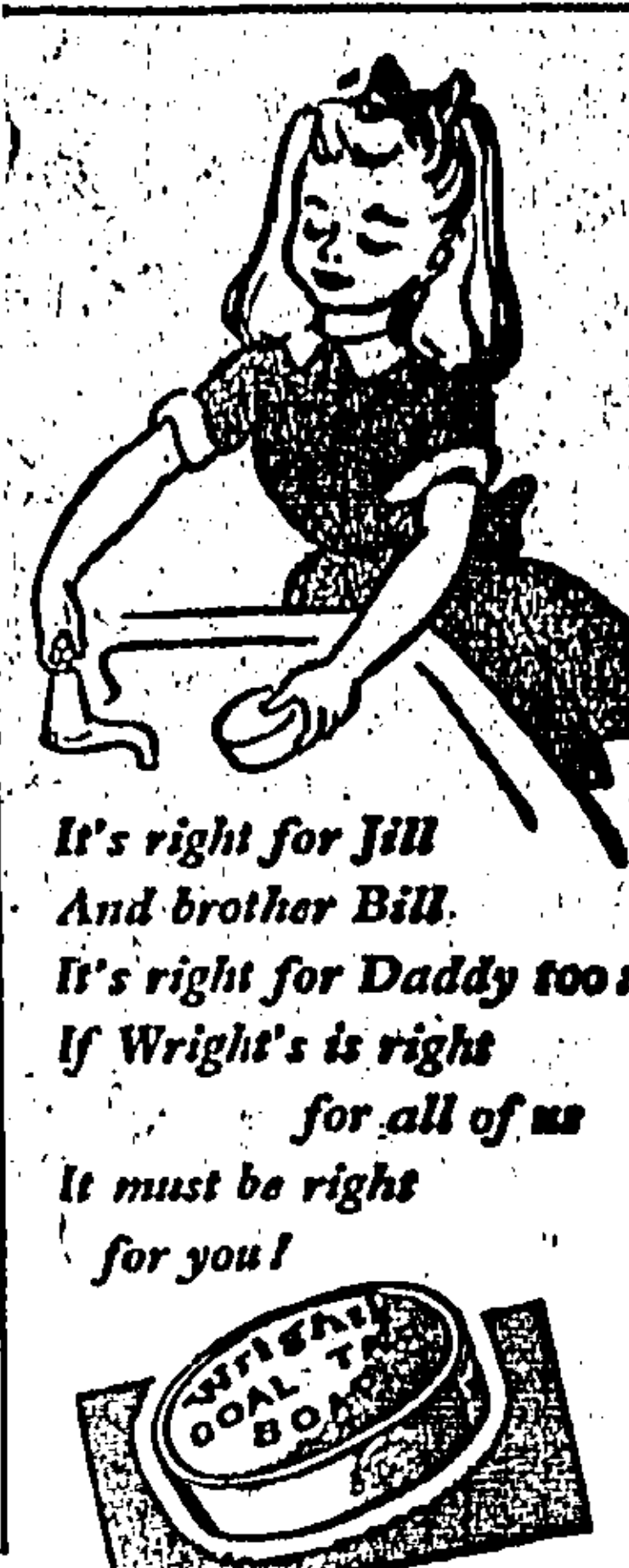
There is only one wild beast
that causes the trapper much
trouble, and that is a cunning,
voluntary animal called a wolverine.
It is about the size of a badger,
with the fangs of a dog, and long,
brown fur varnished by a big black
blob on its back.

They are so intelligent that they
will follow a trapper on his
rounds, and spring the traps by
pushing up a paw from under-
neath, where the steel jaws can-
not reach it, so as to carry off the
meat left as a bait.

But if the Alaskan wilderness
supplies the raw material, free,
why should a mink coat cost £2-
000, you may ask.

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the making-up. The skins are
sent for curing to the United
States, where different factories
specialise in treating the various
types of fur. Then comes the
delicate task of making-up. This
is a skilled industry, which is
only just being started in Alaska
with native labour.

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ing and treating the skins are so
complicated that if one man did
the whole job it would take him
five weeks to make a single mink
coat.



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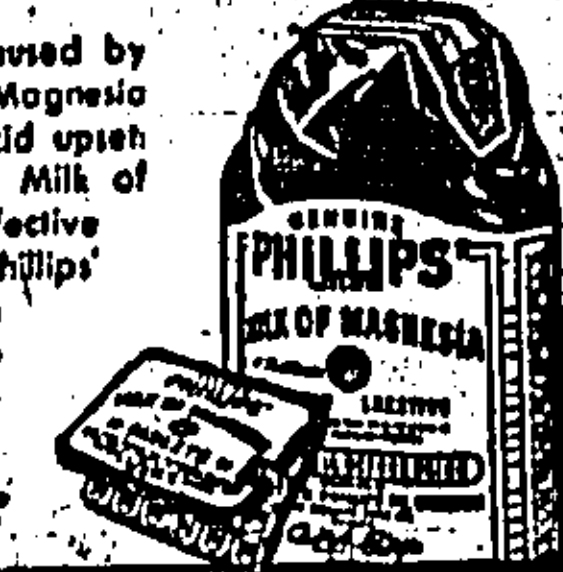
"My knees were so stiff with a kind
of rheumatoid trouble that I could only
rise from a chair with pain and diffi-
culty. This had been growing worse and
worse for about two years. It was all
the more galling because in my young
days I had played for the county at
football, and held my college record for
the 100 and 220 yards. Naturally I
tried all sorts of embrocations but with-
out any perceptible effect. Then I
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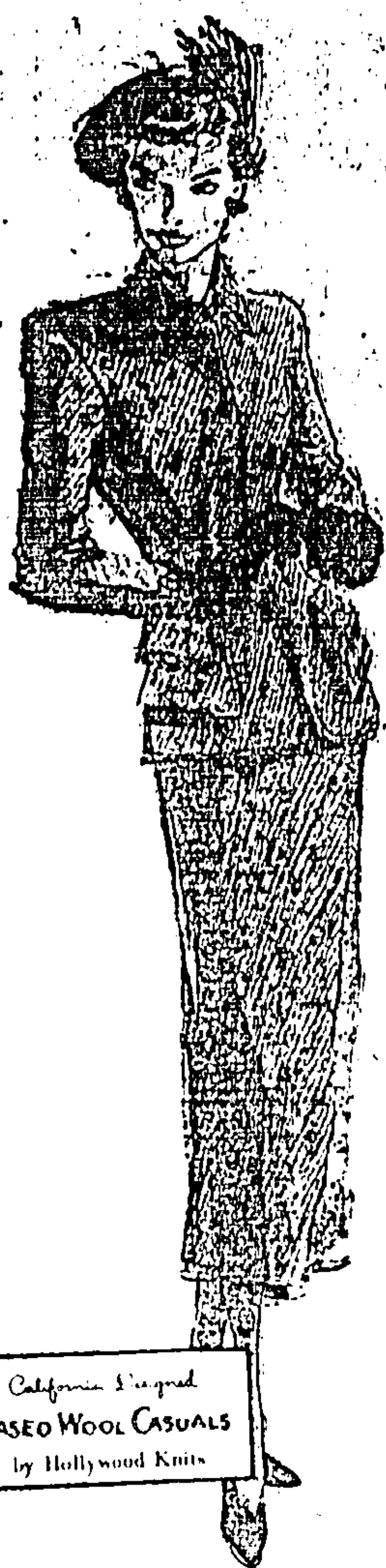
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DESIGN FOR DANCING

By JANET MARTIN

Bouffant skirts or narrow — both are equally in fashion on this season's dance floors, but the newest skirts of all are very narrow indeed, swathed literally to the ankles.

This solves at least one long-standing little problem for me. Several years ago, in London, I had one of those sudden attacks of "shopping madness" (as lots of us did just after VE-Day!) and bought a length of heavenly material with wide two-inch stripes of blue, lemon and grey.

It did look a bit startling, but I just felt in the mood for something gay.

The Man of the House, finding me before the mirror, trying the effect, said "Good heavens, you're not thinking of making a dress of it, are you? It looks exactly like deck-chair canvas".

And even when the full, ballarina skirts came in, the effect would have been too, too reminiscent of one of those large bench umbrellas. And anything narrow just brought back the old deck chair motif.

But now, my striped gem can come out of that old "white elephant box" and have its Day!

These new wrapped-around styles are lovely, for broad-striped materials—draped to break the hard lines from bust to ankle, ideal for the asymmetrical, right-to-left line. Then a dramatic stole scarf, carrying the stripes plumb-straight from shoulder to floor.

Cleverly Designed

The ankle-hugging, swathed skirt must be cleverly designed and cut to allow room for walking and dancing. The simplest way is a slit, to just below the knee, either up the centre front, at the left, under the tapering end of a cascade drape or, if there is a filmy overskirt, at the back.

A wrapped-over slit is more interesting, and less noticeable. There are several ways of achieving this effect, and one of the cleverest is a Parisian idea in stiff, black silk—a complete wrapover skirt, crossing at the back, the top piece buttoned, across with jet buttons, the edge left free to form a point at the left side of the waist.

In softer materials, the draping is carried down, very gracefully, to ankle level. In another favourite style, the skirt is cut straight at the back, the front panel gathered into both side seams, forming a curved draped effect, narrowing to the ankle. This front panel must be lined and can be slit at the left seam.

Uneven Hemline

Skirts are wrapped over to show an uneven hemline, coming up to an inverted V in front, very flattering to dainty ankles.

The line is, as you know, one bare shoulder (the left), draping to one side (also the left), slit and figure-moulding from shoulder to ankle, with one sharp, important break in the line, at shoulder, waist or hip—a bow, a point, a cascade or flounce—but only one.

If you feel, alas, that this sheath-like line would be too unkind to your figure, do try the modified version with a filmy overskirt of net or chiffon. The overskirt may be in loose panels, open at the front, or all-in-one, but it will be most effective with the narrowest of underskirts.

Full-skirted frocks are still very popular and in the majority on every dance floor. But if you like a change, if you like something quite different, if you like to be ahead of fashion—the new "hobble" skirt is for you.

U.S. As A Woman Sees It

By Kay Murray

Opening night at New York's Metropolitan Opera House is traditionally one of the grandest events of the season.

It lived up to its reputation this year and was conspicuous for, amongst other things, its decorum—not by any means, as you might think, the inevitable accompaniment of this brilliant social occasion.

Only two years ago a very prominent socialite, the latest Manhattan to its core by dancing on a table in the bar during the intermission.

However, no such incident marred the proceedings this year.

Fashion trends indicated that most women are shunning the flapper type of tight short evening gown. Skirts, both long and ankle-length, were full. Shades of rose and deep red competed with black for popularity.

Most smart dresses were bare-shouldered, though lavish quantities of diamonds helped to keep their wearers warm.

White mink was the choice of sophisticated for their wraps, though sable and ermine held their own.

Most impressive sight of the evening was the heads of the backstage crews, stagehands, electricians and property department—who all wore dinner jackets and black ties.

The opera? Oh yes, "Der Rosenkavalier," though I don't think anybody listened.

American beauty parlours, alarmed at the amount of home beautifying which is taking the dollars out of their pockets, have fired a broadside at the purveyors of home permanent wave kit.

They hope to deal a death blow at this practice by the announcement, after three years of research, of a new permanent wave solution which feeds pure protein to the hair undergoing a perm.

They claim that hair, which is "keratin," loses its protein coat of this substance during the ordinary permanent wave. That is why, they say, a perm tends ultimately to make your hair dry and brittle.

With the new process, to be available in America early next year, the keratin is replaced and hair, instead of deterioration, becomes silkier, stronger—and wavier.

Christmas decorations on Fifth Avenue always seem to outvie previous years.

House Gowns



Broderie anglaise makes a pretty frill around the collar and on the elbow-length sleeves of the deep lupin-blue cotton gown at top left. The belted-in-front and loose-at-the-back style, with the belt running through side slots, is excellent for the comfortable lounge coat of rayon, at top right. Glamorous house-coat, at bottom left—especially suitable for a trousseau, is made of oyster satin with lilac stripes. Green silk gown at bottom right has draped collar, cash waist, and a very full skirt panel of pink-and-white spotted silk.

This is no exception. A bumper crop of Father Christmas has erupted outside and inside the big stores, and the 80-foot tree is going up in Rockefeller Plaza.

Decor in the stores varies from the traditional holly, sleigh bells, broadest carols and red-coated Santa Claus to the pink, white and turquoise setting for Lord and Taylor's famous angels floating from white trees in the main floor ceiling.

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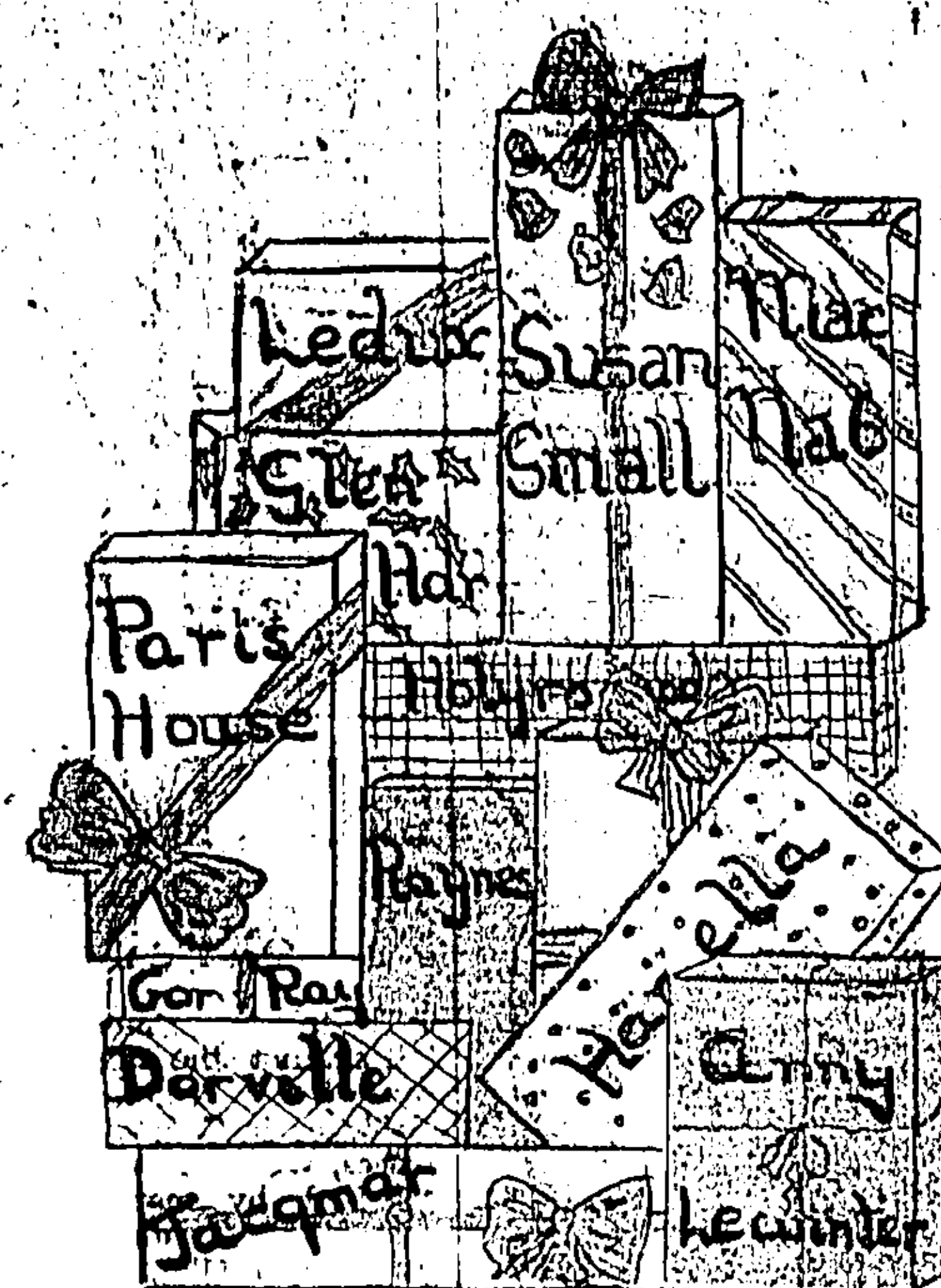
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BEAUTY IN THE BALLROOM

By CLAUDIA

Beauty on the dance floor should take a good look at herself—from the back! Dancing is one occasion when the back view is just as important as the front. From the point of view of the spectator, it is far more noticeable. So when Beauty prepares for dancing she will include a good, full-length back view of the finished effect before she sallies forth. And so will every girl who means to look her best from all angles.

Old adages such as "out of sight, out of mind" and "what the eye doesn't see, the heart doesn't desire" may be based on human fallacies, but such an attitude is quite inexcusable from the beauty angle, which aims at the highest standard of perfection from every aspect.

So look at the back view of a girl in her newest evening frock, ready to go out dancing. Might it be you?

First the hair. Short hair has many advantages. It is easy to wash, set, easy to handle, easy to keep brushed and neat. But it has one big drawback. It must be cut expertly and more often than is necessary with longer hair. Let it go even a day over its cutting date and those neat, short ends begin to look straggly, especially at the back.

An extra half inch at the front may not make any noticeable difference, but an extra quarter of an inch at the back will quite ruin the appearance.

Back Ends

If the hair is longer, are the back ends as smoothly arranged, as sleek and shining as those at the front? Sad to say, a softly arranged charming frame to the face, falling off to a straight, all most of an unbecoming sight. A hand mirror is a must and it must be used every time you do your hair.

Now look at the neck, back and arms, particularly the shoulders. Is the skin smooth, soft and clear? Are there any pimples, spots or "horror" blackheads to be seen? Red elbows and rough patches on the backs of the upper arms have spoiled

more than one back view. Ask a candid friend to tell you the worst.

Then get to work with warm water, soap and a soft nailbrush to cleanse thoroughly the skin and brisk up the circulation. Sponge with the weak Peroxide solution to bleach the skin. Massage those rough, red patches with olive oil and rich skinfood alternately. Steam the blackheads with hot cloths and, after that, same candid friend has got rid of them for you, rub a good toilet water into the skin after the bath to keep the pores closed and stop them from recurring.

When going out in a low-cut dress, sponge the arms and shoulders lightly with a liquid make-up or a cake type. Just a little will give that smooth mat finish and cover up any small blemishes or marks.

Fit Of Frock

Now look to the fit of your frock at the back. Are there any wrinkles at the waist? Does it fit as it should do over the hips? And, above all, is the hemline quite straight, or if it is not meant to be, does it dip exactly as intended?

Back views really are important for the evening. Why else do fashion designers concern themselves with the detail in evening gowns at the back?

Make your back view as lovely as possible. Then, with confidence, you can pin a bright clip in the back of your hair, or wear your tasselled pearls tied new, smart way. And those who catch a glimpse of your charming back will be eager to see the front, too!

Ann Temple

A Bossy Woman

How can a bossy woman be happy? My wife is a generous and a jolly good housewife, but she has lost all her friends because she is bossy. I have kept up a sustained resistance for many years, otherwise I would have been completely obliterated.

I am all right, I can take it, but my poor wife is miserable when there is no one to boss.

This is a genuine cry from my heart. How can I make her happy? How can a bossy woman be happy?—ANTI-BOSS.

The trouble with bossy women is that they don't know they are bossing. They feel efficient and convinced their way is the best and the only way.

They think they are helping. Usually it is an escape from some hidden feeling of inferiority. The only possible way of getting on with this type is attack. "Hi! Stop it, you're bossing!" is a good check. And the husband who told his wife that he would rather go to hell in his way than to heaven in hers probably shocked her into non-interference.

Since your wife is unhappy without people to boss, you will have to discover the inferiority which is driving her. There is some deep dissatisfaction somewhere. A recognition of that and some way of recompense found would help her to make friends with herself and so happier in her friendship with others.

Though I am not an unattractive 22 I have not had one proposal of marriage. I'm taking a degree, but have lost interest in my career, my disinterested. Shall I give it up?

—BLUE STOCKING.
TWENTY-TWO, do you say? Look, just get back to your books and call me again when you are 25.

How do book reviewers get their jobs? Is there any chance for one who just loves books?—AMBITION.

Most reviewers have won laurels as writers themselves before they became reviewers.

If you think you have a flair for criticism, criticism is above all a gift, an intuition, a matter of tact and flair, plus, of course, the comprehensive background knowledge—try your hand at it until your practice makes you as near as you think perfect. Then submit your effort to an editor. If you really have something original to say and say it well, you will be encouraged. If not, thumbs down.

I can't say I suffer from loneliness for I have many friends, material comforts, and plenty to do. But I do suffer from boredom.

As this is something that happens outside my own volition I suppose there's nothing to be done about it.—BORED.

But it certainly doesn't just happen. The defect is in yourself, not in your stars. And not a defect of mind, but of heart.

You sit back and wait for enjoyment to be served out to you on a platter. The secret of enjoyment is in giving something from yourself to create it. And what you give is from the heart. A kindly interest, sympathy, a desire to lighten other people's little moments. Very much can be done about it.

My mother worries a lot. She suggests, dictates, and dissuades me from doing things that entail even the slightest risk. Other mothers encourage their parasites.

It doesn't do her any good either. Can you suggest a cure?—ADULT.

Neither apply the cure to the situation, nor to your mother. She can't be cured, unless she herself wants to be different and then start off under her own steam.

As you are grown-up, why not

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Play Guidance In Your Home

Must children be taught to play? Surely playing comes as natural to children as it does to young animals.

Yes, in a way it does. In the same way perhaps as sucking does.

Until a few years ago it would have been considered absurd to teach a baby to play. He was taught to suck and take food, and yet mothers and nurses had to their surprise and distress that the new baby does not take to feeding in the eager and efficient manner they expected.

Whether the simple clumsily, long it again, become worried, or anxious and finally start to fight against having the nipple put in his mouth, or he may apparently show a complete lack of interest in the whole affair, or go to sleep when he should be feeding. It often takes weeks of patient training before he can feed himself competently.

Too Civilised?

Perhaps it is the fault of our civilization and attitudes towards the handling of children. Possibly children brought up with a different cultural background from Western civilization do just naturally feed, feed and play like young animals.

Whatever the cause, it is certain that some children either don't seem to develop the right sort of play sense or else lose it early in childhood unless some sort of help, encouragement and guidance is forthcoming.

I don't mean to suggest that these children never play, or that they do nothing at all, but I think most mothers will know what I mean when I talk of the aimless child.

Some children hang around adults waiting for attention or saying, "What can I do now?" and yet refusing every suggestion the harassed mother offers. When they do play, their games are often rowdy and purposeless, destructive or just silly.

It is quite normal for young children to change their occupations very frequently, as I have mentioned before, but the aimless child does not change, he stops, and needs redirection before he can start again.

This in itself is difficult, but it is not all for the child who does not or cannot play in a creative, absorbing and satisfying manner is often an unhappy child and his general behaviour deteriorates in consequence.

If your child does not seem to be getting real satisfaction and enjoyment out of his play, check up first on your own attitude by answering these questions, quite honestly to yourself:

Real Interest?

Are you really interested in your child's play, or are you always too busy to notice and comment when he wants to show you what he has done?

Do you make helpful, concrete suggestions, following the child's own interests when you find him taking some action, or do you simply say, perhaps sharply, "Oh, run along and play?"

Are you alert enough to be able to know what is wrong when the child's interest in a worthwhile game begins to flag? It may not always mean that he is genuinely finished with that activity.

He may need help and encouragement. Possibly what he set out to do is a little beyond him or he is feeling frustrated, through lack of materials, knowledge, etc., and a little suggestion or a hint, or help, will set him right.

Do you encourage him to use dressing-up clothes and provide him with "aparté parts" which are necessary for the game? Do you stimulate your child's imagination and curiosity which are the main factors in all creative and dramatic play, by taking them to places of interest?

By doing all these things you not only help the child in a practical way, but also, what is more important, you give him confidence in his own ability.

Take your legitimate risks with out letting him know? It's a case of sparing her feelings, but not letting her feelings cripple your life.

Children Who Adopt Ships

Nearly 200,000 school-children in Britain are learning geography the easy way from the masters and officers of the ships they have "adopted."

In fact, more than 1,000 British Merchant Navy ships of all types, ranging from tankers to passenger-cargo liners, are playing their part in an immense and expanding educational movement.

It began when the British Ship Adoption Society started its movement to keep people at home in touch with the men in Britain's Merchant Navy. Children proved to be among the most eager to adopt a ship and, today, there are more than 800 schools on the Society's list and 50 more on the waiting list with more applications pouring in.

Voyage Described

Some ships' masters produce volumes of manuscript describing their voyages in detail, with illustrations by members of the crew, for the benefit of the adopted school. Every school now is to receive the movements of its ship once a month so that the children will be able to plot her course, see how long she spends in port, and how long it takes her to get from one port to another.

Girls are just as keen as boys, although their interest is usually focused on the galley and cookery arrangements. The children exchange letters with the officers and crews of their ship, and many a school has visited its adopted vessel in dock and heard all the news by word of mouth. One particular school is the envy of all the rest for it has adopted the 1,200 ton polar research ship John Biscoe; the children will thus have first hand news of the progress of the expedition to rescue the scientists from Britain who are marooned on the Falkland Islands in the Antarctic.



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Resumption Of PI Trade With Japan Likely

Manila, December 17.

A high diplomatic source indicated today that the resumption of normal overseas trade between the Philippines and Japan is a probability in the near future. The source said the odds in favour of early resumption of normal trade with Japan are better than fair.

EUROPE MONETARY PLAN

Paris, December 16. The Economic Committee of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe tonight announced a plan for freeing countries among the 12 Council of Europe countries.

Debit countries among the 12 Council of Europe members will settle a fixed percentage of their outstanding balances in gold or dollars, according to the plan.

The plan, known as the "Eccles Plan", after its author, the Conservative Member of the British Parliament, Mr. David Eccles, Rapporteur of the Economic Committee's Financial Sub-Committee, was disclosed to reporters by the former Premier of France, M. Paul Reynaud.

M. Reynaud presided over the Economic Committee's two-day meeting in Paris.

The plan, unanimously adopted by the Committee, provides for the setting up of a European stabilization fund which would be fed by the International Monetary Fund and by each gold and dollar as credit members among the 12 would give up from that received from debtor members.

M. Reynaud said that the plan which he described as very important, will facilitate inter-European trade as well as tourism, the subsidizing of in surance policies, and a number of other operations at present made impossible by the exchange control system.

All the citizens of each participating country will obtain as much foreign currency as they wish without authorisation, M. Reynaud said.

LONDON STOCKS

London, December 16. The London Stock Exchange closed through a dull week-end session, British Government bonds slumped 1/8 to 3/4. Industrials were mainly firm, as were South African gold mining shares. Bolivia and La Guayra railroad stocks advanced briskly for the second day in a row on rumours that Venezuela is preparing to buy these lines from the British stockholders.

Bolivar closed at 70, up 2, and La Guayra 5 per cent bonds at 80, up 4.

Financial Times' index 105.7.—Associated Press.

SLUMP IN TIN

London, December 16. Tin prices tumbled still further on London's recently freed market in the second day of reaction to a two-day mid-week boom. Cash prices fell £3 to £604. £603.

Three months futures dropped £6. 3s. 9d. and closed at £572. 10s. to £573.

Total turnover was 145 tons. Settlement prices dropped £5 per ton to £605.—Associated Press.

Cataracts Caused By Atom Bombs

New York, December 16. The American atom bombs which exploded on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, caused cataracts in the eyes of at least 10 Japanese and possibly many more, a team of scientists reported today.

The report was published in the Science Magazine which also carried the disclosure that perhaps as many as 10 American scientists who helped in the bombs' manufacture, had suffered cataracts or other eye injuries as a result of the work with the cyclotron, an atom smashing machine.

Last December, it was first disclosed that five American scientists suffered cataracts believed to have been caused by radiation from cyclotrons.

The report on the Japanese came from Dr. David Coggin, Dr. Forrest Martin, and Dr. Samuel Krimm, of Harvard Medical School and the University of California Medical School, San Francisco. Their investigation was made after disclosure that five American scientists had suffered cataracts. They said that of the 10 cases of Japanese cataracts, nine were exposed at Hiroshima, and one at Nagasaki.

The seven males and three females, were all said to have had normal vision before the bomb explosion and for some time afterward. The symptoms were delayed. It is reported that "the frequency of atomic bomb cataracts, now or to be expected in the future, cannot be stated at present, since practically all cases of cataracts here cited, were discovered through highly selective methods."—United Press.

DEFENCE OF THE EMPIRE

Manchester, December 16. The "Manchester Guardian" today urged Britain not to accept any terms of military aid from the United States which does not recognise Britain's responsibility for Commonwealth defence.

"It would be far better for the British Government to renounce its small share of aid from the United States under the Military Assistance Programme than to accept it on terms which may breed bitterness and agitation, such as restrictions on the arms in which arms may be used," the "Manchester Guardian" said.

It added, "It would be wrong for Mr. Bevin (the Foreign Secretary) to accept any terms under which unique responsibility for Commonwealth defence was not wholeheartedly recognised by both parties."—Router.

PORTUGUESE TRIBUTE TO UK

London, December 16. The Duke of Palmella left London today to retire after more than six years as Portuguese Ambassador to Britain.

The Duke, who has had appreciative tributes in the British press, is travelling to Portugal in the British liner Alcantara.

A Portuguese Embassy official said today that the appointment of a new Ambassador the Embassy would be under the Council of Ministers.

The Duke, in a farewell message last night, said that his friendship and admiration for Britain had "only increased during my years of war and peace here."—Router.

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New York Stock Exchange

New York, December 16. Prices were thoroughly scrambled in today's stock market. The market closed with most stocks showing only minor changes.

Gains and losses were in almost exact balance. Oils and film stocks were favoured. Transfers 1,000,000 shares.

Among the gainers were Paramount Pictures, Warner Brothers, Sunray Oil, Consolidated Edson, Loews, Sinclair Oil and Nickel Plate.

Stumbers included Lockheed, Santa Fe, American Woolen and Emerson Radio.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 70.88; 20 Industrials 107.88; 15 Rails 51.58; 10 Utilities 40.00.

Closing quotations:
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International Harvester 20 1/2
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Johns Manville 47 1/2
Kennecott Copper 51 1/2
Montgomery Ward 54 1/2
National Distillers 22 1/2
Lead 37 1/2
New York Central 11
Packard Motors 3 1/2
Pan American Airways 8 1/2
Pennsylvania RR 15
Radio Corp. 12 1/2
Remington Rand 11 1/2
Republic Steel 23 1/2
Reynolds Tobacco 37 1/2
Schenley 30 1/2
Sears Roebuck 43
Shell Oil 37 1/2
Socony Vacuum 17 1/2
Southern Pacific 49 1/2
Standard Brands 21 1/2
Oil of Calif. 66
Oil of N. J. 70 1/2

Studebaker 24 1/2
Union Bag 27 1/2
US Rubber 37 1/2
Steel 26 1/2
Lines 15 1/2
Westinghouse 31 1/2
Yongstown Sheet & Tube 76 1/2
Gen. Pub. Utilities 16 1/2
Rail bonds improved. Among curb callers were Imperial Oil, Mesabi Iron.—Associated Press.

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"BENLEUCH"		15th Jan.
"BENDORAN"		21st Jan.
"BENMACDHUI"		27th Jan.
"BENALDER"		10th Feb.
"BENMOHR"		12th Feb.
"BENAVON"		25th Feb.

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"BENLOMOND"		
"BENVRACKIE"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Antwerp & Havre.	8th Jan.
"BENLEUCH"		
"BENDORAN"	Genoa, Avonmouth, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.	10th Jan. 15th Feb.
"BENMACDHUI"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Havre and Antwerp.	31st Jan. 28th Feb.
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"ELOY ALFARO"	MANILA.	23rd Dec.
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Hecciole		
L. G.	Gosano b Mitchell	18
A. M.	Prata b McKenzie	10
G. N.	Gosano not out	
M. A.	D'A. Fernandes b Cor-	
	neil	
P. M. N.	du Silva c and b	15
	Pennington	
E. L.	Gosano c and b Penn-	
	ington	
E. M. L.	Soares b Corfield	
A. M.	Rodrigues c Craike b	
	McKenzie	
H. L.	Orozco c Mitchell b	
	McKenzie	
N. A.	Beltrao c McKenzie b	
	Mitchell	
B. T.	Gosano st. Craike b	
	Mitchell	
	Extras	

Total:				
Bowling Analysis				
	O	M	R	
Corfield	14	2	41	
McKenzie	0	1	25	
Mitchell	7.5	0	30	
Piepie	3	1	13	
Pennington	2	0	13	
Army				
F. E. Thornberry	b	G. N.		
Gosano				
T. Darbyshire	c	G. N.	Gosano	
B. Lister				
C. R. Tomlinson	c	D'A.	Remedios	
Medios	b	F. L.	Gosano	
M. Holme	r	out		
K. Grinstead	c	Prata	b. L.	

"Optimists"—RAF

K. A. Miller L. Vaughan
W. L. Howard c & b Vaughan
R. Theisen-Ender not out
K. M. Almas low b First
H. H. Rankine not out
Extras

Total (for five wks) dec: 1

G. H. P. Pritchard, T
Mahon, F. Vnn Oorde and A.
Siegler did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	H
Tyler	11	2	27
Hirst	14	3	39
Vaughan	0	1	28
Ball	4	1	19
West	2	-	20

RAF

F. C. Duncan lbw Mahon

valuable contributions by A. H. Ismail (34), G. Hong Choy (20), M.J. Divecha (20) and J.P. France (20 not out) enabled the Valley

	O	M	R	W
Zirner	9	2	42	
Lee	10	5	30	
Kernan	4	1	11	

Smith	4	11
Hart-Baker	3	8
Davidson	3	18
KCC		
E. C. Fincher c and b Divecha		
W. H. Colledge c Ragl b Choy		2
J. Lerlou c Ragl b Crabtree		2
F. R. Zimmern b Choy		4
A. Zimmern b Choy		
V. C. Bond c Ragl b Divecha		
F. R. Kermali c Billimoria		
b Divecha		

A. R. Almeida captured two wickets for one run, while C. A. R. Alves took two for seven.

Bowling Analysis				
	O	M	R	W
Naylor	9		45	1
Vale	12	1	23	5
Llewelyn	9	1	23	2
Wales	7		37	1

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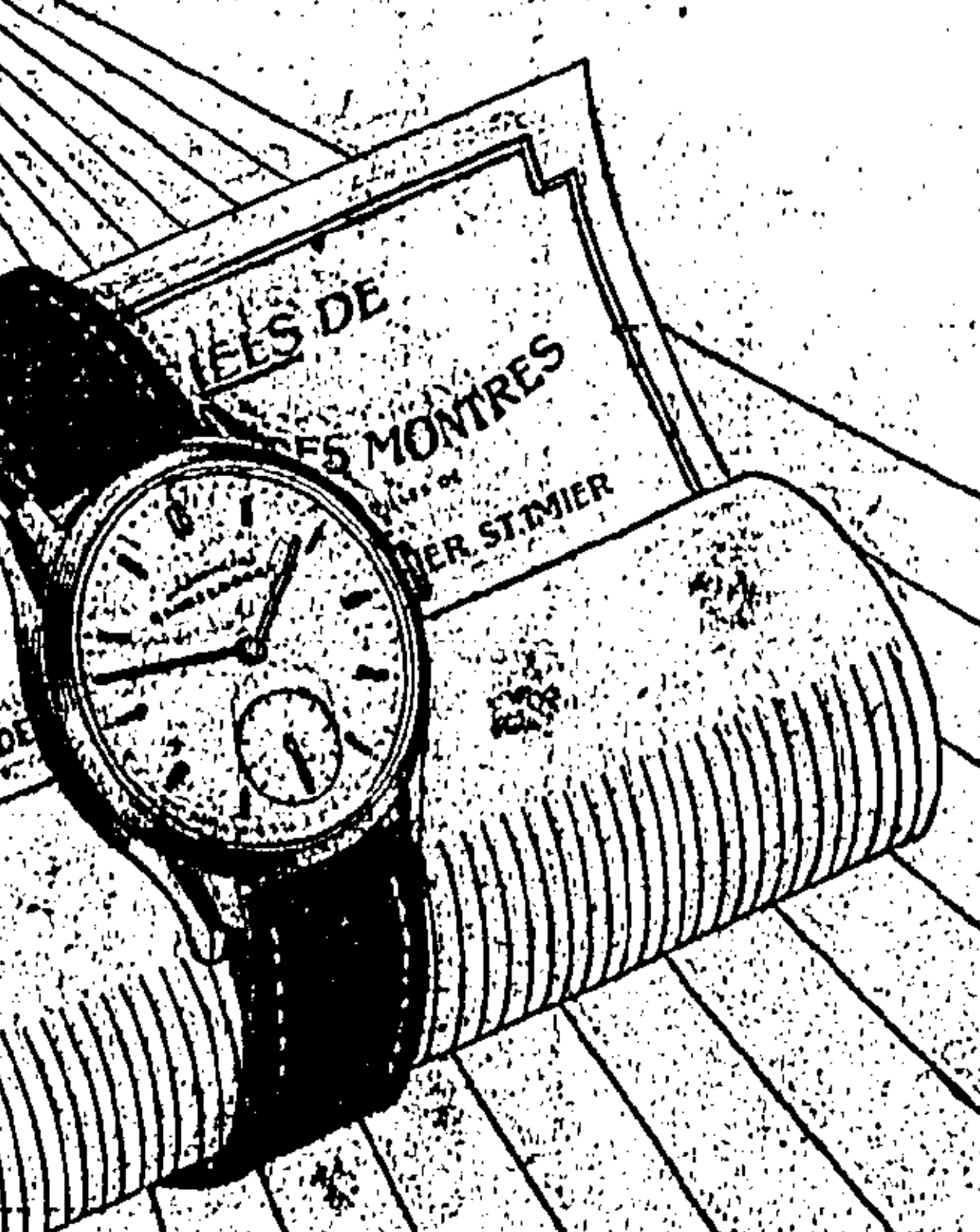
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